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## POLICE RESCUE AGITATORS.

## LONDON DOCKER RECEPTION.

## AMUSING FLOUR BATTLE.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Jan. 5. In London to-day there are three "reformers" who will probably examine prospective audiences a little more critically in future before venturing to foist their opinions upon them.

They ventured into Dockland this morning, ostensibly actively interesting themselves in the grievances of the Thames lightermen who are now on strike, and attempted to persuade a crowd of dockers to "down tools" in sympathy with the strikers.

From the outset, it should have been evident to the three men, who are believed to be Communists, that their audience was distinctly unsympathetic.

Flour and Ochre.

Their initial efforts to address the crowd resulted in boozing and hissing and when the agitators persisted in their attempt to hold a meeting, the dockers, who had apparently had experience of such gentlemen before, drew bags of flour and ochre from their pockets and pelted the speakers.

Police as Savours.

For a few minutes indescribable confusion reigned, the air was thick with clouds of flour etc. the agitators were in danger of being seriously hurt, apart from the damage to their clothing. Finally, they had to be rescued by the police.

## DAWN ROUND-UP IN BOMBAY.

## CONGRESS LEADERS SOUGHT.

Bombay, Jan. 6. The rounding up of the leaders of the India National Congress started this morning at 4.30 a.m.

The police have been moving swiftly from place to place in the city making arrests under the special Ordinances promulgated by the Government of India.

Among the earliest captures was Mr. V. J. Patel, the ex-President of the Legislative Assembly, and a brother of Mr. Vallabhbhai Patel, the imprisoned President of Congress.—Reuter.

## LABOUR LEADERS GRAVELY ILL.

## MR. GRAHAM AND DR. MARION PHILLIPS.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Jan. 5. The condition of Mr. William Graham, President of the Board of Trade in the last Labour Government, and one of the most brilliant of the Labour leaders, is giving rise to considerable anxiety.

He has been ill with pneumonia for some days and it is now stated that the infection has spread into double pneumonia.

Dr. Marion Phillips, ex-Labour M.P. for Sunbury, the chief woman organiser of the Labour Party, is also critically ill, following an operation.

## FRANCE MAKES GERMANY AN OFFER.



The Young Plan Advisory Committee, who reported a fortnight ago that Germany would be unable to pay the conditional annuities in July, are shown above in conference at Basle. Members on the right are (from right to left): Sir Walter Layton (Britain), M. Francqui (Belgium), Prof. Banducci (Italy), Dr. Walther Stewart (U.S.A.), Dr. Melchior and Count von Krosigk (Germany).

## PEAK FILM FIRE SEQUEL.

## WHEN DOES A PRIVATE PARTY BECOMES PUBLIC?

An important legal point involving the definition of a place for "public entertainment" arose in a series of summonses brought against the Pathé Orient Co., Ltd., before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court morning in connexion with the recent fire at the residence of Mr. A. G. Langston, at 287, The Peak where a party of children were being entertained by a cinematograph performance.

Seven summonses were taken out by Mr. Fitzhenry, of the Fire Brigade, against Mr. J. Landolt, manager of the Pathé Orient Co., Ltd., who were accused of (1) not having a distributor's permit, (2) storing 296 reels of film in a place other than a certified strong room, (3) failing to notify in writing to the Inspector General of Police the names, descriptions and address of the persons making application to hold a cinematograph display and the character of the entertainment for which such premises were proposed to be used and locality of such premises and the general nature of the proposed building, (4) failing to abstain from any act pending to cause fire, (5) failing to have boxes of fire-resisting material for the projection apparatus, (6) keeping eight reels of film in a place other than a certified room and (7) failing to keep readily available for use sufficient means of dealing with fire.

Not "Public Entertainment."

Mr. H. L. Denny appeared for the defendant Company and submitted that the last five summonses, all of which referred to 287, The Peak, must fail. He said they had been brought under the Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to places of public entertainment. Under that Ordinance "public entertainment" meant "any entertainment to which the general public are admitted with or without payment for admission."

Continuing, Mr. Denny said that in the present case Mr. Langston, of the Hongkong Electric Company, gave a small entertainment at his own house at 287, The Peak on December 23. To provide that entertainment he went to the Pathé Orient and hired a machine from them to give the display in his own house. He also asked for an operator who was sent up. "I submit," said Mr. Denny, "that an Englishman's house is his castle and not a place of public entertainment."

Mr. Landolt, proceeded Mr. Denny, had never been to the house and in fact was at tiffin at the time. He had no knowledge of the mishap, and could not be held responsible.

Within the Regulations.

Mr. Fitzhenry submitted that the Interpretation Ordinance definitely classed a cinematograph performance as an entertainment and, therefore, places where a cinematograph show was held came within the Regulations.

His Worship pointed out that

## POLISH WEDDING TRAGEDY.

## BRIDAL COUPLE DROWNED.

## FATEFUL SLEIGH RACE.

(Reuter's Special Service).

Warsaw, Jan. 5. Terrible tragedy terminated the celebrations following a wedding in a village near Vilna to-day.

In the midst of the jollifications, the younger members of the party organised a sleigh race across a frozen lake. The bride and bridegroom were members of the opposing "teams."

### Public Present.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe said it would appear that there were members of the public present at the performance, not merely members of the family. If a man owned a Baby Pathé and showed the films to his own family, that was purely a private entertainment.

In the present case, the entertainment was one to which members of the general public were admitted free. He took that if they went to invitation, but they were still free.

Continuing, Mr. Wolfe said he presumed those at the party were still friends of Mr. Langston. There were ums and various other performances.

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## AUSTRALIA WIN THE RUBBER.

## VINCENT'S BRAVE BATTING.

## S. AFRICA GET 225.

Melbourne, Jan. 6. Australia won the Third Test Match by 169 runs, thus winning the rubber.

South Africa were dismissed for 225, the last three wickets falling quickly this morning for an addition of 27 runs.

Twenty-four of to-day's runs were scored by Vincent.

The final scores were:

Australia: 198 and 554.

South Africa: 368.

### Second Innings.

Curnow, b Grinnell ..... 9  
Mitchell, c and b Grinnell ..... 45  
Christy, c Oldfield, b Ironmonger ..... 63

Taylor, b Grinnell ..... 38

Morckel, b Ironmonger ..... 4

Cameron, l.b.w. b Ironmonger ..... 18

Viljoen, b Ironmonger ..... 2

C. L. Vincent, c Ponsonby, b Grinnell ..... 34

McMillan, c Wall, b Grinnell ..... 1

Quinn, not out ..... 0

Bell, b Grinnell ..... 0

Extras ..... 16

### Total ..... 225

The wickets were shared by Grinnell and Ironmonger as follows:

O. M. R. W. Grinnell ..... 40 14 92 6

Ironmonger ..... 49 18 54 4

### Reuter.

According to the Daily Sun, the killing of a Japanese visitor to Canton by a mob of coolies of New Year's Eve has been amicably settled upon an expression of regret by the Major Ching Tien-ku to Consul General Suma. It is understood that compensation is to be made to the relatives of the deceased in Osaka.

The body which has been lying at the municipal hospital was handed over by the Japanese authorities yesterday.

His Worship pointed out that

## Moratorium Until July, 1934.

## Seeks Delay in Conference.

## AN IMPORTANT EXCEPTION.

Paris, Jan. 5.

Important developments in the reparations situation may arise from a meeting to-day between M. Flandin, the French Finance Minister, and Herr Leopold von Hoesch, the German Ambassador.

France is anxious to secure a postponement of the reparations conference until after the Disarmament Conference has opened, and in the meantime has made an offer to extend the German moratorium for two further years.

Herr von Hoesch, who was responsible for obtaining France's agreement to Germany's appeal to the Young Plan Advisory Committee, has given no indication, so far, of the likely German response to the French proposals.

French Condition.

It is learned that France desires a postponement of the Lausanne Reparations Conference, if possible, to February 25, but is provisionally willing to agree to extend the German moratorium until July 1, 1934.

The extension of the moratorium would not, however, apply on its present basis. France makes the offer provided Germany refrains from the payment of the unconditional annuities.

"Parliamentary Pressure."

This is the tenor of an important statement by M. Flandin to Herr Hoesch to-day, pleading the pressure of Parliamentary business as the reason for the desire to postpone the conference.

As regards the unconditional annuities, it is understood that M. Flandin pointed out that Germany would be able to recover the sums thus paid through loans on the security of the State Railways.

British Unaware.

Meanwhile, the British Government is proceeding as though the Lausanne Conference will be held a fortnight hence as suggested.

London, Jan. 5. The Burmese delegates sitting in committee to-day concluded consideration of their report. The Session will be held on Friday and, if necessary, will be continued on Monday.

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In British official circles to-day there was no indication of any likelihood of a postponement of the conference.—Reuter and British Wireless.

In London, silver was up 1/16th

for spot and forward. The Continent being small buyers and America small sellers. The market opened quiet. After the official fixing, the market ruled easier, with America sellers 1/16th under the quoted rates.

New York silver prices dropped

1/16th, with the market easy. The cross-rate has dropped to 8.86/4



## RUHR PUTSCH

## No Support From Trade Unions.

Cologne, Jan. 5.

The attempted Communist putsch in the Ruhr was pestered out and from almost every centre originally affected quiet is reported.

The failure of the movement was manifest from the moment it started two days ago, and it represents a complete victory for the Trade Unions as the main body of organised workmen has supported the Trade Union leaders in opposition to Communism.

Many of the workmen who participated in the attempt have lost their jobs and hundreds have been arrested.—Reuter.

## DEBT PAYMENTS IN SILVER.

## SENATOR BORAH'S LATEST.

Washington, Jan. 5. Apparently determined not to relax his efforts for the rehabilitation of silver, Senator Borah has submitted to the Senate a Bill authorising foreign debtors to repay their debts in silver.

The Bill also requests the Treasury to mint all silver coins of certain weights having the status of currency at the market value of the metal.

Like most of Senator Borah's previous ventures in this particular connexion, the Bill is expected to prove short-lived.—Reuter's American Service.

## SILVER MARKET EASIER.

## AMERICA IN ROLE OF SELLER.

Conditions on the silver market are rather easier to-day, both in Shanghai and Hongkong, although the local dollar continues unchanged.

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### AGRICULTURE IN THE N.T.

### PLEA TO IMPROVE ANCIENT METHODS.

### ROTARY ADDRESS.

The necessity of bringing about reform in the method of cultivation of land and animal husbandry in the New Territories, by helping and educating the farmers in accord with present-day advanced science of cultivation, was dealt with by Mr. J. D. Bush, when he spoke at yesterday's Rotary Club luncheon, which was held in Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant under the chairmanship of Sir William Hornell.

The Chairman said:—First of all I want to wish you all a very happy New Year. Let me thank you all very much for having braved this frightful epidemic by coming here to-day. I discussed the matter of postponing this meeting with a member who discussed the matter with another member who is a learned Doctor, and he said that there was no danger when eating but that there was some danger when speaking. That is why you will notice no one is sitting in front of me. The speaker and I have had our throats certified—(laughter)—and, perhaps, we are the only two people in the room who have certified breath.—(Laughter).

The Chairman welcomed the following as visitors:—Mr. Fung Ki-cheuk, Chairman of the New Territories Agricultural Association, Mr. C. M. Munro, Vice-Chairman of that Association, Mr. S. H. Ross and Mr. J. Petrie.

Speaking on "The Promotion of Agriculture in the New Territories," Mr. Bush said:—My first business is to assure you that I do not come to spread contagion but to sing a song of love in very bad prose.

### The Annual Show.

He continued: It was with a great deal of pleasure that I promised Rotarian McPherson to speak briefly at this luncheon on the subject of "Promotion of Agriculture in the New Territories." I am very grateful for the opportunity to-day, for one thing, to tell you something of the forthcoming agricultural show, which will be opened by His Excellency the Governor this Saturday, the 9th instant at 3 p.m. at Shek Wu Hui, near the Sheung Shui Railway Station.

This annual exhibition of agricultural products, together with other attractions, is becoming more and more popular with the general public in the Colony. It would be impossible, within the compass of twenty minutes, to give you an adequate account of the agricultural conditions in the New Territories. All that I can do is to convey some idea of the work and aim of the New Territories Agricultural Association in which I am doing but a small part as Honorary English Secretary.

At the outset I also feel that I ought to make it clear that I am not well qualified for the undertaking of discussing the difficult problem of promoting agriculture. I possess neither the essential training nor the expert knowledge like our learned friend, Rotarian Herklots.

### Booklet Recommended.

In the course of preparing this paper, I have been tempted more than once, in short, to ask Rotarian Herklots to write it for me. But I have not the heart, as he has already done such a lot for me in getting out the beautiful handbook for the show, which can be had, on Thursday, it has been delayed by the printer. I commend the booklet especially to your attention, if for nothing else, at least for the interesting articles from the pen of Dr. Herklots. There will be other features to appeal to those of you who are interested in agriculture and horticulture. The booklet is well worth the value of twenty cents,

for that price is hardly sufficient to cover the cost of printing alone.

### The Exhibition's Beginning.

The idea of an agricultural exhibition was first suggested by H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi and the Rev. H. R. Wells in 1926, and among the earliest supporters were Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Mr. H. Green, Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, Mr. J. A. Fraser, the former District Officer, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, who accomplished the largest portion of work upon the first Honorary English Secretary of the show, and last but not least, Mr. Fung Ki-cheuk, who is now the Chairman of the New Territories Agricultural Association. The first Show was held in December, 1927, when, in its opening speech, His Excellency the Governor made reference to the great assistance given by Lady Ho Tung in whom the show was held, and who had, for many years, interested herself in agriculture in the New Territories.

### What Is the Use?

Each year the question arises when preparations are being made for the show, what is the use of improving the conditions of the farmers, when we see, in the New Territories, men welding the same old farming implement and women binding the sheaves as they have done for many centuries? Indeed the passage of three or four centuries has made little change in the conditions under which the Chinese farmers from one end of China to the other live, or the methods which they employ in cultivation. Year in and year out they work and live on the minimum rather than the maximum of their crop.

That is said of the Egyptian peasant, or fellah, may be applied with equal force to the extreme conservatism and lack of initiative of the Chinese farmers of to-day.

Speaking of the Egyptian peasant, an English writer in the *Manchester Guardian* says: "A mummy of the Twelfth Dynasty coming to life in a twentieth century Egyptian village would find himself surrounded by faces of a familiar cast. Neither the scenery nor the dwellings, neither the habits nor the avocations of modern fellahin would appear in the least strange to him, and he would be able to handle the plough or hoe just as he was wont to do over 4,000 years ago."

### Chinese-Methods Unchanged.

No has the long procession of

centuries wrought any fundamental change in the Chinese peasant.

As a Chinese writer has recently said: "There is very little selection of the best produce for sowing again; the average seed is generally considered as good enough. There

is an almost complete absence of

meadow-land, domestic animals

being more economically fed on

cattail, with some grazing on

lill-sides. The farmers are with-

out knowledge of irrigation and

drainage, but difficulties in co-

operation prevent anything being

done in such matters except

locally and in a small way."

In such despondent mood,

I cannot refrain from adapting the

saying prevalent in certain parts

of the British Empire, that farm-

ing is mainly "Fleas and Politics."

and saying that the order of the

day in agrarian China is "To

manure and endure."

### No Poultry Farms.

There are no poultry farms in

China. Here and there in the

New Territories you may find the

farmers keeping a few hens, and

the eggs are collected in very

small quantities from the fairs or

markets to which they are carried

by the people themselves. Th-

enches in China in general lay not

more than 60 or 70 a year each,

whereas a good laying hen should

produce between 150 and 200

eggs. Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza

of China's Auction Room, who has

contributed much each year to the

Poultry Section, is of the follow-

ing opinion: "Considering that

the Chinese farmer in the New

Territories derives a fairly large

portion of his income from the

sale of eggs and poultry, it is

hard to understand why he still

keeps on in the old rut, breeding

the small Chinese fowls, without

any system or attempt at improve-

ment."

Much work is still to be done in China in animal husbandry. In the New Territories farms I have not seen any cows being kept for milk purposes. Perhaps this is one of the reasons why China has been such a big importer of condensed milk. With a view to arousing greater interest in breeding of cattle, Rotarian J. Russell has been putting up special prizes at the Show for the best bullock, cow, and calf, as displayed on the exhibition grounds on the opening day.

### Deforestation Peril.

Deforestation, as everybody knows, is appalling in China. This is also a problem in the New Territories. Forestry can have a tremendous influence on farming and population. According to a French authority, deforestation was the prime cause of Greece's decline. The Frenchman's view is this: "Emigration and low birth-rate prevailed only for a time. If Greece had conserved her fertile soil, immigration or higher birth-rate would have sprung up at a given moment and filled up the ranks. Depopulation persisted because the land was impoverished by becoming deforested and unhealthy."

Time will not permit me to tell you also of the interesting theory advanced that, with deforestation, malaria developed. Let it be sufficient to say here that deforestation caused the cessation of regularity of stream flow and resulted in the washing of the soil and gravel to the plains below. In summer "when there is no flow, the river bed still in places contains pools favourable to the breeding of mosquitoes."

I do not know how the Forestry Department will accept this theory. And I wonder if Rotarian Arthur Woo, who is so energetic in promoting public health among the farmers in the New Territories, agrees to this theory thus advanced. Incidentally, speaking of public health in the New Territories, I may mention that in the forthcoming show, there will be public health lectures given to the farmers, with charts and other illustrations, under the auspices of the New Territories Medical Benevolent Society, of which Dr. Arthur Woo is the President and Dr. Gerrard is a staunch supporter.

### Other Problems.

There are other perplexing farming problems in the New Territories I may present to you (Continued on Page 10.)

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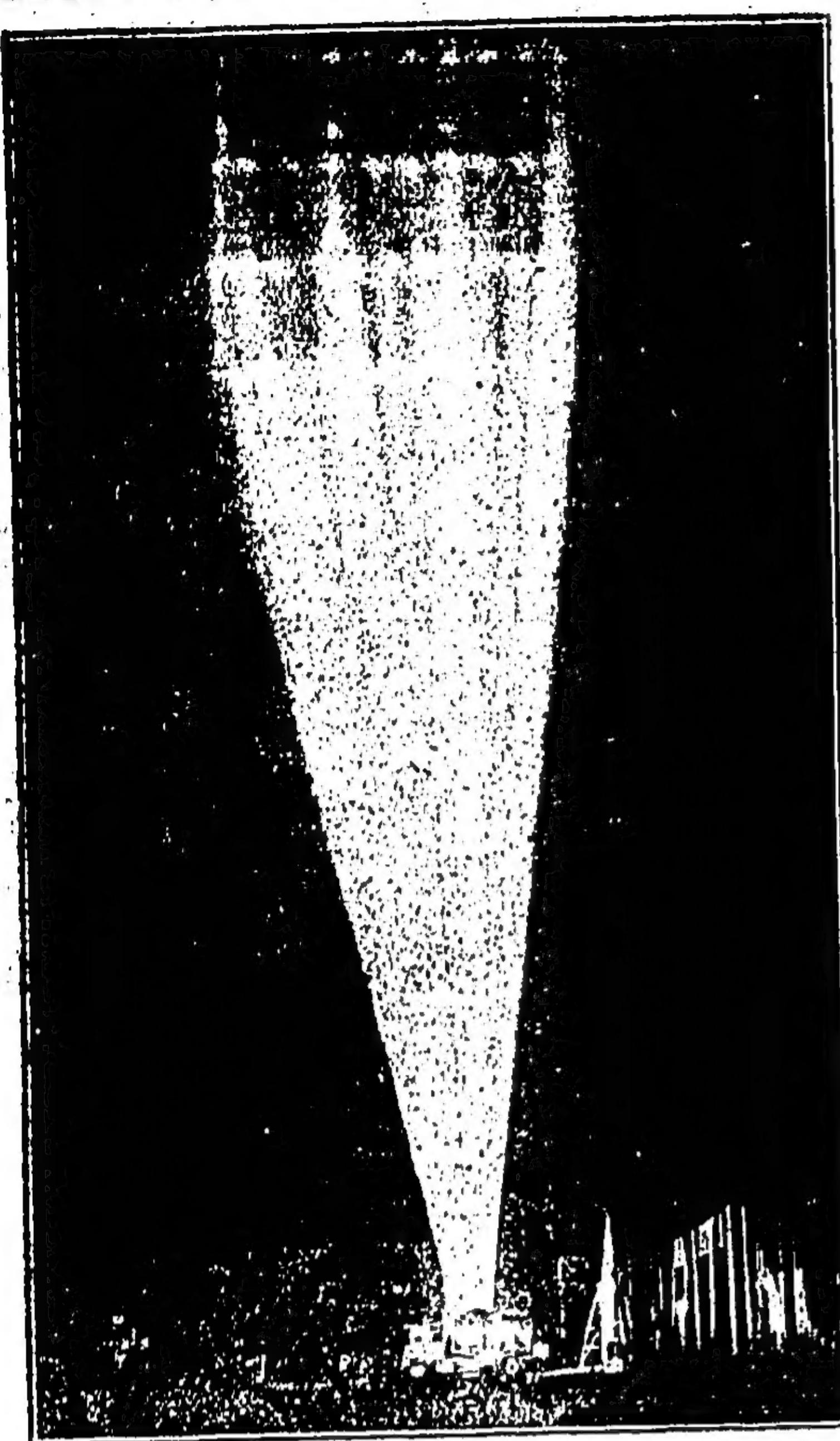


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Cutting Christmas trees at Malton, in Yorkshire ready for the London markets. "Buy British" was the slogan that applied in England this year.—(Times copyright).



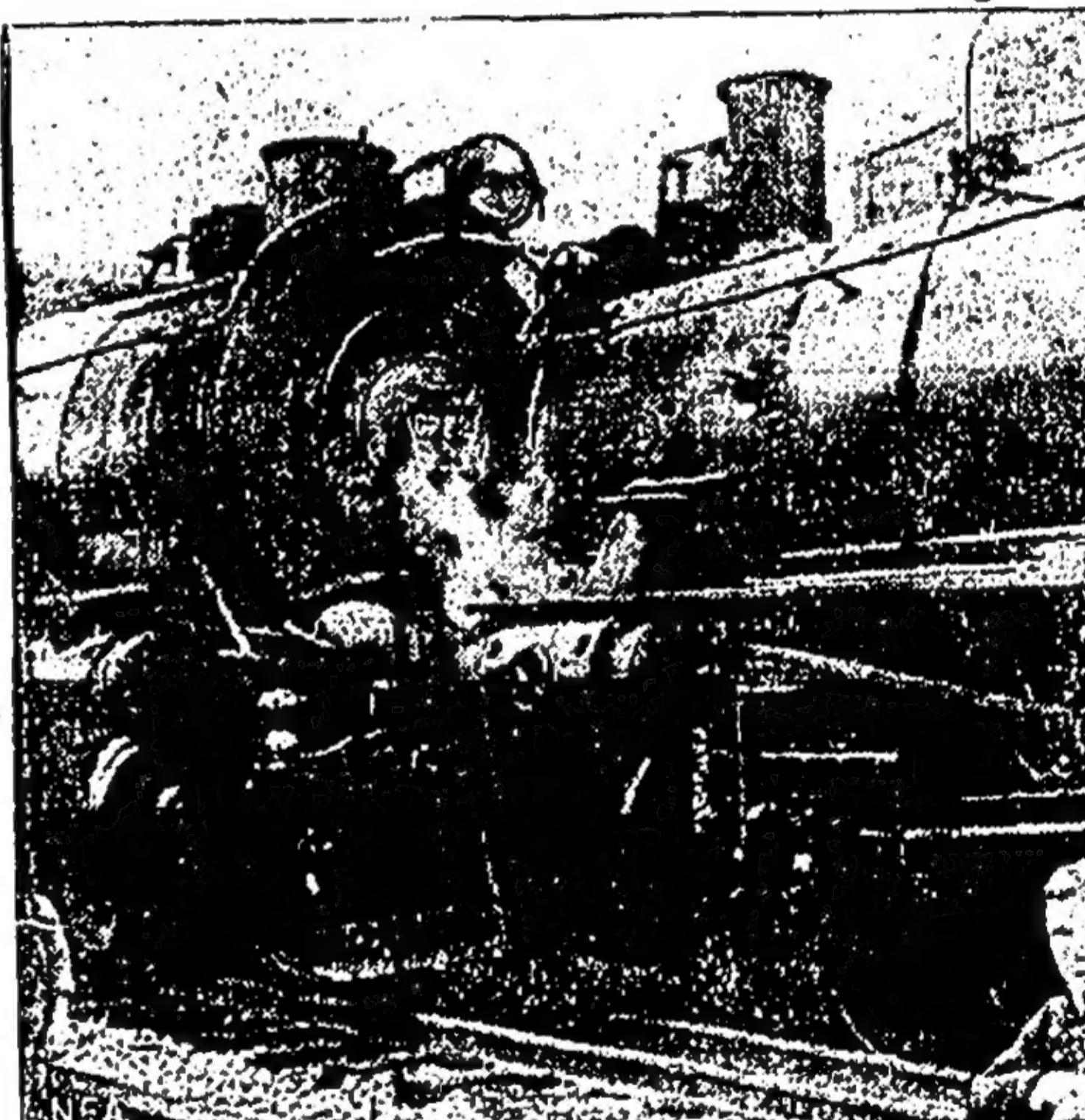
Tulip of Runnymede, exhibited by Mrs. Reynolds Sims, first prize and champion.—(Times copyright).



Mr. Bert Hinkler, the Australian aviator, being chaired on his arrival at Hanworth Aerodrome after his great flight from South America.—(Times copyright).



A prize kitten at the National Cat Club's Championship show at the Crystal Palace. It is Miss Langhorn's Alfonso o' the Combe.—(Times copyright).



Quick thinking and action of a veteran engineer saved passengers when these locomotives crashed at Pittsburgh. He brought his train to a sudden stop when he saw the freight engine, left, bear down on him. He took the crash head on rather than risk clearing a switch and having the freight engine strike a passenger coach. Twenty-five were injured, none seriously.

## Gems of Peril

HAZEL ROSS HAILEY

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Rich old Mrs. Jupiter is fished and mured during the engagement party she gave for her secretary, Eddie Larkins. The thief, Eddie, and the famous Jupiter necklace, disappear to Mary's brother, Eddie, who is killed by a car he meets. Eddie, a police reporter for the Star, conducts a private investigation. He discovers a racetrack crook called The Fly, whom Eddie, and Eddie's best friend, Bowen, the boy in the house, is recognized by the buyer as one who is a "gate-crasher"; he ejected the night of the murder. Eddie, however, kills Eddie, believes Bowen guilty and forbids her to see Bowen further, naturally. They quarrel, Bowen makes up and plans to marry Eddie. Mary goes to the hotel where "The Fly" meets him, and there she sees Eddie. She goes to Eddie's room, where he is hiding. Eddie comes to take her home. He is on his way to lead up the Jupiter necklace when he is struck by a car. Eddie is not there. Mary, clasps the necklace about her throat just as three strangers enter.

They leave, followed by Bowen, who fears no one is after the necklace. Eddie does not. The two men quarrel. Just as Eddie locks up the necklace there is a crash in the street outside. Bowen, who has run off to see what has happened, finds Eddie, Dirk, and Bowen still with the necklace. The existence of The Fly and Mary goes off with Bowen.

### CHAPTER XXII

"You shouldn't have done that," Bowen objected. "Now how'll you get home?"

"I'm not going home just yet," Mary said. "You're going back to Shay's and get what fingerprints you can. Where are the ones you got off the gun?"

"In my hotel room."

"I go there and wait for you. I don't feel equal to Shay's again, right now. Besides, it might be better if you went alone."

"I'll get kicked out, anyway," Bowen muttered morosely. "Look," he said, "you better not do this. You better make it up with me while you can, or there's liable not to be any wedding tomorrow."

"There isn't going to be anyhow!" Mary named. "Until I find out who's right. If those fingerprints tally, there won't be any, anyway, until that man's caught, one thing at a time, and that comes first with me. If they don't—it you've just been giving me a cock-and-bull story—"

"Why should I do that?"

"To get a sensational story?"

"I haven't printed a line about you yet, have I?"

"Then, if that isn't the reason, Dirk said you had another—" she turned several shades of pink in quick succession, but blurted it out nevertheless—"he said you were making up excuses for sticking around because—you were in love with me."

It didn't faze Bowen. "I don't say I'm not," he gritted, looking straight ahead.

"Oh, then—"

"Every blame word I've said is the truth, and you know it!" he cried bitterly. "And I'm tired of having my word doubted! I don't have to prove it. If you want to drop the matter, we'll drop it right here and now. It's entirely up to you. I hate the Fly's gizmo, but I can let my feelings go. You're the one most concerned."

Odd that it had never occurred to Dirk just that way!

"I'm going with you."

"Then come on."

Bowen's hotel was just around the corner in a side-street, nearer Sixth than Fifth Avenue. It was not fashionable but clean and warm. Bowen bought some magazines at the lobby stand, and guided Mary gingerly by an elbow into a small, rose and gold room opening off the lobby.

An old woman in a soiled uniform stepped forward.

"Hello, Kate," Bowen greeted her. "Take good care of this for me, will you? Till I come back."

Kate's eyes took in Mary from head to toe, with cynical interest.

"Sure I will," she promised, with enthusiasm. Kate had executed commissions for newspapermen before. She would soon know what this beautiful damsel in distress had been up to. Shot her lover, perhaps. Whatever it was she'd been crying about, it thrilled Kate that she should know about it before it came out in tomorrow's papers.

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Mary established herself on the shabby divan with Town and Tattle and fell to reading, more to escape the old woman's questioning than anything else. Eventually the old soul heaved away, muttering to herself about the uppityness of some people.

When they get you in the jug, you'll talk, my fine girl," she threatened through the wall.

Mary read on, oblivious of having offended. It was rather fun picking out who was meant by the people referred to in those small scandalous paragraphs in the gossip magazine. No names were mentioned, of course, but it was usually made plain enough. This, for instance,

"Why it is that we never appreciate what we have until it is another?" What child of great wealth—a bud of three seasons ago—is making rather a fool of herself over a childhood sweetheart whose devotion she was wont to ridicule until he took unto himself a fiancée?

She is said to be relying heavily on the fact that the said fiancée is involved in a messy family scandal just now, which only the immense wealth and political pull of her sponsor has succeeded in squelching.

A cold prickle began to creep over Mary, and she sat upright on the couch, realizing suddenly that it must be herself who was meant!

Her eyes raced on;

"Both applicants to the hand of the blushing and personable young lawyer come to the post well equipped—the duchess with this world's goods, and the fiancée with more than her share of looks. But if all Dame Rumour whispers is true, the lucky girl's elderly sponsor makes legal and blinding his promise to make her his heir, then the scales will tilt heavily in her favour."

and she will be able to match her rival million for million, with a few extra for good measure.

"A curious outcome, indeed, in view of the fact that the elderly proprietor's own wife died under mysterious circumstances recently, but Croesus will hear no ill of his Cinderella, so they say."

Mary hurled the magazine as far as she could throw it, and took a turn around the room to cool off. The impudence of it! The cowardliness! How dare people publish nasty innuendos of that sort, and expect to escape punishment? A suit for libel would be the very least they could expect; if she were a man, of she had a father, or brother—or, she added miserably, a fiancée Old-fashioned horse-whipping was too good for the purveyors of such slander!

The alert Katie looked in, but withdrew in affright before that terrible young face. Mary was still pacing restlessly about the room, from picture to picture, staring at the ugly oil landscapes with unseeing eyes, spelling out artist's names as she uttered them. She was determined not to give way here, in this place, and add further fuel to the scandal.

Bowen should take her home at once, and the master would be put before Mr. Jupiter. He would know what to do. "Immense wealth and political pull" indeed! If that were so, then they should be made to feel it!

But as her anger cooled she knew with sickening certainty that instead of showing it to Mr. Jupiter, she must keep it from him. After all, was it any more than had been common talk for weeks? Everyone knew it was a scurrilous little sheet; everyone discounted its nasty little diggs. She would only make matters worse if she made a row about it.

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Bowen came hurrying in, his arms full of packages. In his left hand he held a whisky-bottle carefully by the neck.

"Both applicants to the hand of the blushing and personable young lawyer come to the post well equipped—the duchess with this world's goods, and the fiancée with more than her share of looks. But if all Dame Rumour whispers is true, the lucky girl's elderly sponsor makes legal and blinding his promise to make her his heir, then the scales will tilt heavily in her favour."

"Sorry to be so long," he explained, "but I had to buy some powder and some other junk. I got a pretty good thumb print, I think, but the rest are not so good . . . wanna wait here a little longer till I go up and develop this? I'll hurry. . . ."

"What's the bottle for?" Mary asked, bewildered.

"Don't touch it!" He drew it away from her pointing finger. "It's his—the Fly's. He drinks it for special brand. Mike snuck it for me while Jack's back was turned. Let me get upstairs with it, quick, before something happens to it." He was labouring under strong excitement. "Can you imagine it? I been carrying this down the street like this. Afraid to wrap it up and smear the print. Wonder I wasn't pinched." He started off, and Mary followed.

"Oh, don't leave me here! One more black mark on my reputation won't hurt. I'm going up with you." In the elevator she asked bitterly, "Did you know what was in that magazine you gave me?"

Presently he raised a flushed, perspiring countenance and said dramatically, "Now!" He laid on the table the sheet of paper containing the fingerprints obtained from the gun. Beside it he placed a finger-print chart and a magnifying glass. Occupying the place of honour stood the whiskey-bottle, erect, its powderblackened sides showing a variety of finger-

prints.

He bent his eye to the magnifying glass, moving it from one to the other, back and forth.

"I'm no expert," he said, at last, "but if those thumb-prints aren't identical, I'll eat 'em. I'll get an expert's opinion on it. If you want it. The boys in the identification bureau will do it for me."

"Do it, will you?" she asked eagerly. "I accept your word, but we must be absolutely certain."

"Right. Tomorrow, without fail. Well, Miss Sherlock Holmes, let's shut up shop for tonight."

He removed a pile of clean shirts from a dresser drawer, laid them out carefully away in the empty drawer, locked it, and they went.

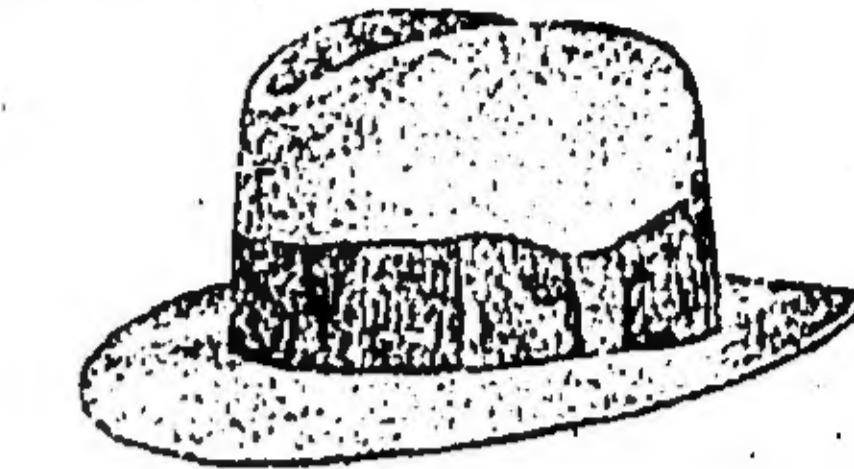
"Forget it! We'll have Emily Ann begging your pardon on bended knee before we're through."

He propped the door of his room open with a book, and laid his purchases out on the table, the precious bottle occupying an open space all its own. After that, they did not bother to talk. Bowen

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## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELLES DES MESSAGRIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship, "CHENONCEAUX" Arrived Hongkong on Wednesday, the 6th January, 1932.

From MARSEILLES &c. Consignees of cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Friday the 15th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the surveyors, and the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goldard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 12th January, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent, Hongkong, 6th January, 1932.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

In the matter of the Hongkong Companies Ordinance 1911 and In the matter of T. E. Griffith Ltd. (In Voluntary Liquidation).

Notice is hereby given in pursuant to Section 181 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 that a meeting of the creditors of the above named Company will be held at the Company's offices, Shamian, Canton, on the 2nd day of February, 1932, at eleven o'clock of the forenoon.

Canton this 4th day of January, 1932.

M. A. ANNETT,  
Liquidator.

## G. R. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 508.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Shaukiwan Quarry Lot No. 1," will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 18th day of January, 1932, for the occupation for a period commencing from the date of notification of acceptance of tender and ending on 31st December, 1934, of the place or parcel of ground as shown coloured red on a plan signed by the Director of Public Works and dated 22nd December, 1931, and subject to the conditions which can be ascertained at the office of the Director of Public Works.

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Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$100 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown in the event of the tenderer, whose tender is accepted, refusing to carry out the terms and conditions of his offer.

On the acceptance of a tender the deposits of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them.

Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

DAVID S. ROBB, Joint Hon. Secretary, Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Hongkong, 31st December, 1931.

## HONG KONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

The Burns Dinner of the society will be held in Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Saturday, 23rd January, 1932, at 8.30 p.m., when the toast of "The Immortal Memory" will be proposed by Mr. W. L. Handyside.

Subscription (exclusive of wines) \$1.00 each.

All Members wishing to become subscribers are requested to forward their names, at their early convenience.

DAVID S. ROBB, Joint Hon. Secretary, Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Hongkong, 31st December, 1931.

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## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS OF THE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION to be held on Monday, the 11th day of January, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Kok, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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Inland Lot No. 109							
Pau Chung Street							
		As per sale plan.		About 45,020		\$310	\$22,570

## ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY OF HONG KONG.

The Annual General Meeting of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong will be held in the Hongkong Hotel, Roof Garden, on Friday, January 8th, at 5.15 p.m.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 27th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th January, 1932, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Godard and Douglas.

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

### PARCEL MAIL.

The Public are hereby warned that in view of the passing of the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties Act, no guarantee can be given that any parcel will not be subject to Customs duty on arrival in the United Kingdom. The system of prepayment of Customs' duties in this office is cancelled until further notice except as regards parcels of silk or of under the value of £2.00 or its equivalent in dollars at the rate of the day. It will however be necessary in these cases to make a deposit against delivery equal in amount to the declared value of the parcel.

Delivery information will be published in the Mail Notices directly it is received.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

### INWARD MAIIS.

From Batavia . . . . . Tilbadak . . . . . January 6.  
Straits . . . . . Cremer . . . . . January 6.  
Shanghai and Swatow . . . . . Beuchou . . . . . January 7.  
Europe via Nagapattinam (Letters and Papers) London, 10th December . . . . . Hakusan Maru . . . . . January 8.  
Australia and Manila . . . . . Taiping . . . . . January 8.  
Japan and Shanghai . . . . . Fushimi Maru . . . . . January 8.  
Manila . . . . . Pres. Taft . . . . . January 9.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco) 11th December . . . . . Prea, Pierce . . . . . January 9.  
London Parcels only, London . . . . . Straits . . . . . January 10.  
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C.) 19th December . . . . . Aneas . . . . . January 11.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 18th December) . . . . . Empress of Asia . . . . . January 11.  
Calcutta and Straits . . . . . Calcutta . . . . . January 12.  
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 26th December) . . . . . Pres. Jackson . . . . . January 12.  
Shanghai and Japan . . . . . Talamban . . . . . January 13.  
OUTWARD MAIIS.

For Saigon . . . . . Saigon . . . . . Date and Time  
Amoy . . . . . Prosper . . . . . Wed., Jan. 6, 3.30 p.m.  
Sumshui and Wuchow . . . . . Taihuan . . . . . Wed., Jan. 6, 3.30 p.m.  
Manila . . . . . Tolshan . . . . . Wed., Jan. 6, 4 p.m.  
Hainan and Haiphong . . . . . Rhexenor . . . . . Wed., Jan. 6, 5 p.m.  
Formosa . . . . . Menado Maru Thurs., Jan. 7, 8.30 a.m.  
Sundakan . . . . . Benarty . . . . . Thurs., Jan. 7, 1.30 p.m.  
Strait and Calcutta . . . . . Mauwang . . . . . Thurs., Jan. 7, 1.30 p.m.  
Kumang . . . . . Parcels . . . . . Thurs., Jan. 7, 2 p.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . 2 p.m.  
Swatow . . . . . Hydrangea . . . . . Thurs., Jan. 7, 3 p.m.  
Amoy and Swatow . . . . . Cremer . . . . . Thurs., Jan. 7, 3.30 p.m.  
Amoy . . . . . Tilbadak . . . . . Fri., Jan. 8, 10.30 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow . . . . . Hatching . . . . . Fri., Jan. 8, 1 p.m.  
Straits and Calcutta . . . . . Straits and Calcutta . . . . . 1 p.m.  
Haliphong . . . . . Haliphong . . . . . Fri., Jan. 8, 12.30 p.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles . . . . . Canton . . . . . Fri., Jan. 8, 2.30 p.m.  
Fushimi Maru . . . . . Fushimi Maru . . . . . Sat., Jan. 9.  
Reg. . . . . Reg. . . . . Sat., Jan. 9, 4.30 p.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . Jan. 9, 9 a.m.  
G.P.O. . . . . G.P.O. . . . .  
Reg. . . . . Reg. . . . . Jan. 9, 8.45 a.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . Jan. 9, 9.30 a.m.  
(Due Marseilles 7th February.)

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C. and Europe via Siberia . . . . . President Taft . . . . . Sat., Jan. 9.  
Parcels . . . . . Jan. 9, 3 p.m.  
Reg. . . . . Reg. . . . . Jan. 9, 4.15 p.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . Jan. 9, 5 p.m.  
(Due Victoria B.C., 28th January)

Bangkok . . . . . Hervar . . . . . Sat., Jan. 9, 1.30 p.m.  
Manila . . . . . Pres. Pierce . . . . . Sat., Jan. 9, 5 p.m.  
Bangkok via Swatow . . . . . Kriang . . . . . Sun., Jan. 10, 8.30 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa . . . . . Hozan Maru . . . . . Sun., Jan. 10, 9 a.m.  
Manila . . . . . Emp. of Asia Mar. . . . . Sun., Jan. 11, 4.30 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow . . . . . Hal Ning . . . . . Tues., Jan. 12, 2 p.m.  
Manila . . . . . Pres. Jackson Tues., Jan. 12, 4.30 p.m.  
Swatow . . . . . Kwalsang . . . . . Tues., Jan. 12, 5 p.m.  
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia . . . . . Chichibu Maru . . . . . Wed., Jan. 13.  
Reg. . . . . Reg. . . . . Jan. 12, 5 p.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . Jan. 13, 8.30 a.m.  
(Due San Francisco, 3rd Feb.)

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island . . . . . Taiping . . . . . Fri., Jan. 15.  
Parcels . . . . . Parcels . . . . . Jan. 14, 5 p.m.  
Reg. . . . . Reg. . . . . Jan. 15, 6.45 a.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . Jan. 16, 10.30 a.m.  
(Duo Thursday Island, 26th Jan.)

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow . . . . . Halyang . . . . . Fri., Jan. 15, 1 p.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Karmala . . . . . Sat., Jan. 16.  
Parcels . . . . . Parcels . . . . . Jan. 15, 4.30 p.m.  
Reg. . . . . Reg. . . . . Jan. 16, 8 a.m.  
Letters . . . . . Letters . . . . . Jan. 16, 10 a.m.  
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## OFFICER PRAISED.

## MAGISTRATE COMMENDS SMART ARREST.

Detective Sergeant Pearson was complimented by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on a smart piece of work in connexion with the case in which a man named Chan Fuk was charged with enticing away two small boys from their parents on December 19, 1931.

Sub-Inspector Elsten, who prosecuted, said that Sergeant Pearson, in the course of his search duties, was on board the s.s. Anhui on December 21 when he noticed two small boys, who were wearing brand new clothes. They were accompanied by the defendant. His suspicion aroused, Sgt. Pearson accosted the defendant, and as a result, searched him and found three passage tickets on him. Defendant could not give a satisfactory explanation and Sgt. Pearson took him back to the Water Police Station together with the two boys.

Enquiries made later revealed that the boys had parents living in Hongkong and had been taken on board without the consent of their parents.

Defendant denied having enticed the boys away. He referred to a man called Li Kam who asked him to take the two boys on board the Anhui, promising to meet him on the ship, which was bound for Amoy.

Defendant admitted having harboured the two boys, but he denied having enticed them away from their parents.

His Worship amended the charge to that of harbouring the two boys with intent to deprive their parents of possession.

A sentence of 12 months was imposed.

## RETURN TO MACAO.

## BISHOP NUNES DUE NEXT WEEK.

Returning to Macao by the Fulda on January 12, is His Lordship D. Jose da Costa Nunes, Bishop of Macao, who went to Rome to see His Holiness Pope Pius XI last year, and has since visited the Azores on a holiday trip to see his family.

It will be remembered, that His Lordship's name was submitted by the Portuguese Government to the Pope to be the head of the seminary where priests are prepared for Portuguese colonies. The Pope after careful consideration appointed him to that post.

However, feeling that he was not the right man to fill such a position, His Lordship asked permission to go to Rome and put his reasons before the Pope. His Holiness the Pope after having heard His Lordship excused him. After his audience, His Lordship went to the Azores to enjoy a holiday with his family and see his aged father.

Now on the eve of his return to Macao, the people are preparing to give him a rousing welcome. There will be no formal reception in Hongkong and His Lordship will proceed at once to Macao.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	86	87.11/10
Geneva	115.0/10	17.11/10
Berlin	142	14.20
Oslo	18.4	18.4
Helsingfors	230	210
Athens	256	260
Buenos Aires	40%	40%
Shanghai	1/1/10	3.00/10
New York	3.97%	3.96%
Amsterdam	8.13/32	8.38
Vienna	.30	.30
Madrid	15.15/16	39.15/16
Bucharest	.66%	.67%
Hongkong	1/6.10/32	1/7.10/32
Brussels	24%	24.22%
Milan	65.11/16	66.3%
Stockholm	17.8%	17.11/16
Prague	114	113%
Lisbon	100%	109%
Rio	4%	4%
Bombay	2/0/32	1/0/0/4
Yokohama	2/0%	2/0%
Montevideo	31%	31%
Montreal	4.01	4%
Silvers (spot)	20%	20.7/16
" (forward)	20%	20.7/16
British Wireless.		

## BRITISH POLICY.

## REPARATIONS AND OTHER PROBLEMS.

London, Jan. 5. Beginning to-morrow, there will be meetings practically every day of one or other of the Cabinet committees appointed to report on various subjects. The first Cabinet Council since December 16 is due to be held a week from to-day. It is anticipated that the policy to be pursued by Great Britain at the Lausanne conference will be considered. Many important domestic matters must also be examined by the Cabinet before Parliament reassembles on February 2.

## Disarmament.

Discussions arranged for today between Mr. Arthur Henderson and Sir Eric Drummond, the Secretary General to the League of Nations, on matters connected with the Disarmament Conference, of which Mr. Henderson is chairman, have been postponed until Sir Eric Drummond has returned from an attack of influenza.—British Wireless.

## SHARE PRICES.

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

## Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1470/6 n.  
Chartered Bank, \$10 n.  
Merchant A. and B., \$17 1/2 n.  
East Asia, \$128 n.

## Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1,350 n.  
Union Ins., \$412 1/2 n.  
China Underwriters, \$4,90 n.  
China Fires, \$650 n.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,250 n.

## Shipping.

Doughuses, \$25 n.  
H.K. Steamboats, \$24 n.  
Indo-Chinas, (Prop.) \$45 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$20 n.

## Mining.

Benguet, \$10 1/2 n.  
Kailuan, 27/0 n.  
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.  
Raubs, \$39 n.

## Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$153 1/2 b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.  
South China Motors, \$10 n.  
Providents (old), \$25 25 b.  
Hongkong, Tls. 220 n.  
New Engineers, Tls. 61/2 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 99 n.

## Cottons.

Two Cotton Tls. 16.20 n.  
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 77 n.  
Zoon Singz Tls. 11 1/2 n.  
Lands Hotels, Tls.  
H. K. S. Hotels (old), \$15.25 b.  
H. K. S. Hotels (new), \$14.75 n.  
H. K. Lands, \$82 1/2 n.  
Shai Land, Tls. 30 n.  
Humphreys' \$19 n.  
Routies, \$12.15 n.

## Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$22.20 b.  
Peak Trams, (old), \$15.60 n.  
Sun Farries, \$96 1/4 n.  
China Light, 27.60 n.  
H. K. Electrics, \$79 1/2 b.  
Mines Electrica, \$23 n.  
Telephones, \$43 n.  
China River Tls. 17.90 n.  
Singapore Tractions, 3/- b.

## Industrial.

China Sugars 50 cts. n.  
Malibon, \$39 n.  
Canton Ice, \$5 1/2 n.  
Cement (com.), 19.50 n.  
Ropes, 18 n.

## Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$29 n.  
Watsons, \$16.90 n.  
Bar A Wines, \$1 n.  
Lane Crawford, \$6.60 n.  
Markintosh, \$19 n.

## Sinceres, \$15 1/2 n.

Powell's, \$3.50 b.  
Amusements, \$19.00 n.

## Constructions, (old) \$5.65 b.

## FASHION NOTES.

## Return of the Bustle.

Several charming variations of what the new bustle will be are interesting fashion items. The bustle-effects are produced by drapery and bows and flounces. Some of the gowns have an almost voluminous drapery at the back, and yet contrive to look modern.

In most of these gowns, the line is stressed by a wide flounced hem. The "crinoline" line has been reintroduced. This is produced by the use of a very stiff material which "stands by itself," as grandmother used to say.

The leg-o-mutton is reappearing and so is the tight bodice buttoned up the front.

No one envisaged the return of the narrow skirt, however, and yet some houses have shown it already, side by side with the full skirt.

Nothing more supple and more delicate could be imagined than these close-fitting skirts, usually for evening wear, and usually of lace or some other transparent material.

The new three-piece dresses are of a very practical kind, while satisfying the natural feminine desire to look one's best. They are made up of an entire dress (frequently without sleeves), over which is a vest with long or short sleeves and a long coat, a regular wrap of regulation cut, and with as few complications as possible. The three pieces can be worn separately; or all together, according to circumstances.

The new fabrics are feather-weight woolsens, and tweeds which have succeeded the coarser and heavier tweeds used in previous seasons.

## WRITERS' WASTE-PAPER BASKETS.

Some of the newest waste-paper baskets have a distinctly literary appearance. At the back of each basket appears the name of an author, such as Shakespeare, Dickens, or Moliere, with a list of his works beneath. The rest of the basket is decorated with paintings of characters from the books written by the chosen author; these are easily recognisable and painted in gay colours against the parchment background.

## Red and Purple.



Paris says tennis red with purple—the new French note in millinery. This hat of red felt simulating a quill is a smart illustration of the combination.

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Having captured Rico the Gypsy Chief, Uncle John gives him two minutes in which to tell him where Oscar and Freckles are—when out of the bushes...

Yoo-hoo! Here we are... boy! What a sight for sore eyes!!

They got him!! Uncle John and Mr. Kingston!!

How Mr. Kingston got up here!!

He musta heard you comin', because he told us to hide in the brush... an' what could we do? boy!! Are we glad to see you!!

Well, tan my hide!! Man! If I ever was glad to see anybody, it's you two kids!!

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## The Reunion



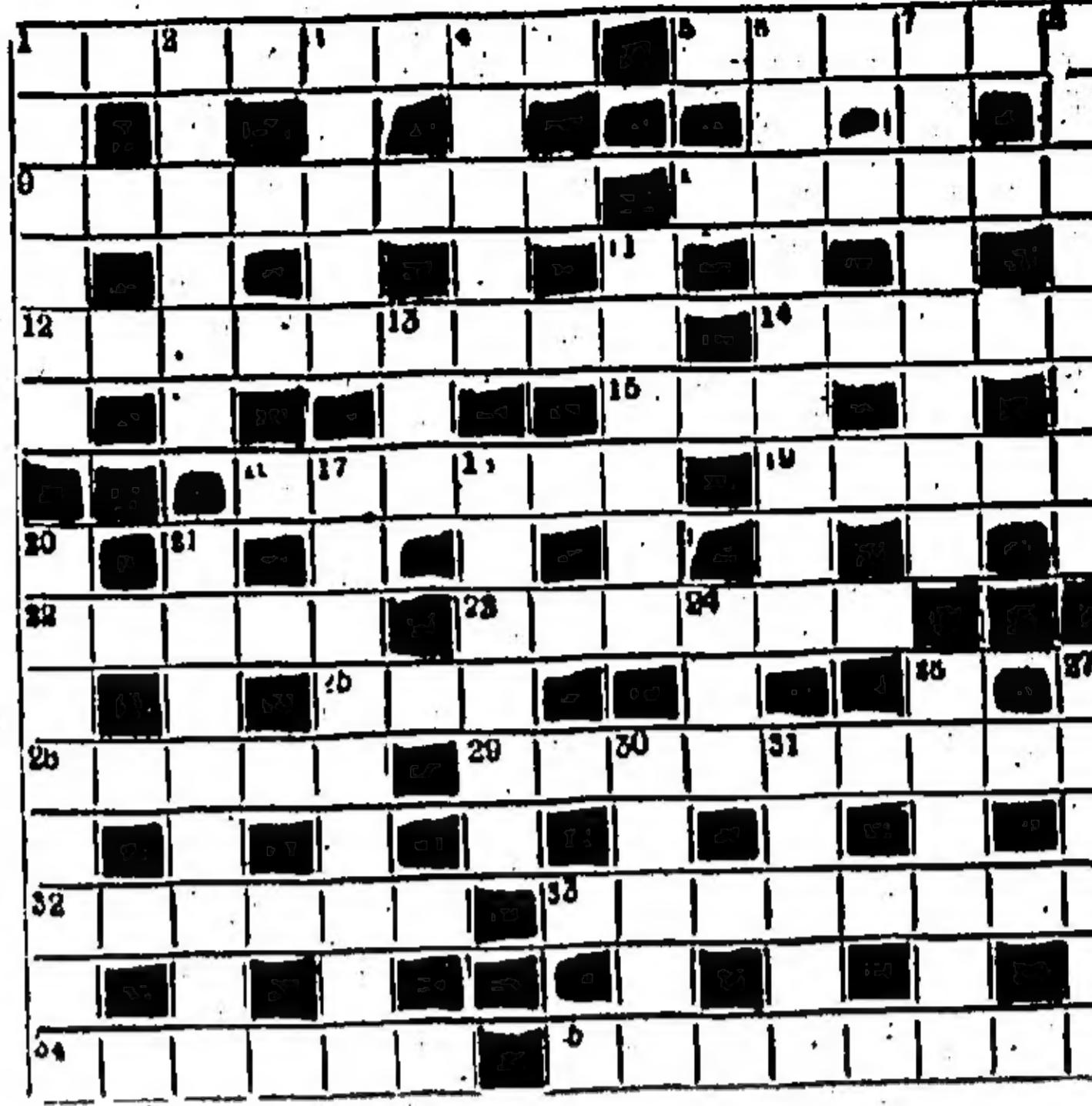
I'm sorry you boys had to have this unpleasant experience... and I don't know how to make it up to you... you're both little heroes!!

Gwan you want me to tell them the truth, hoot?

Freckles is the hero!

## WOMEN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## FOR FORMAL OCCASIONS.



## Across

1 To give yourself away must surely be.

5 Tyrant.

9 Your condition when you have 9 across.

17 A gnat.

18 No gentle lady, this.

20 Animal and a crest for burial-place.

21 Epithet for a cub.

24 The Marquess of Salisbury

knows this field.

25 This part of the world suggests doubt as to a lady's ability.

27 Irritate.

30 This means dress to 1 down.

31 Every race is one.

Yesterday's Solution.

1 Soldier.

2 Study this and get a slice of Ireland.

3 Birds quite all right in Stevenson.

4 A town in N.Y. State.

5 Dash—to choose a mild one.

6 Flowers.

7 You can take away the last five letters and leave ten.



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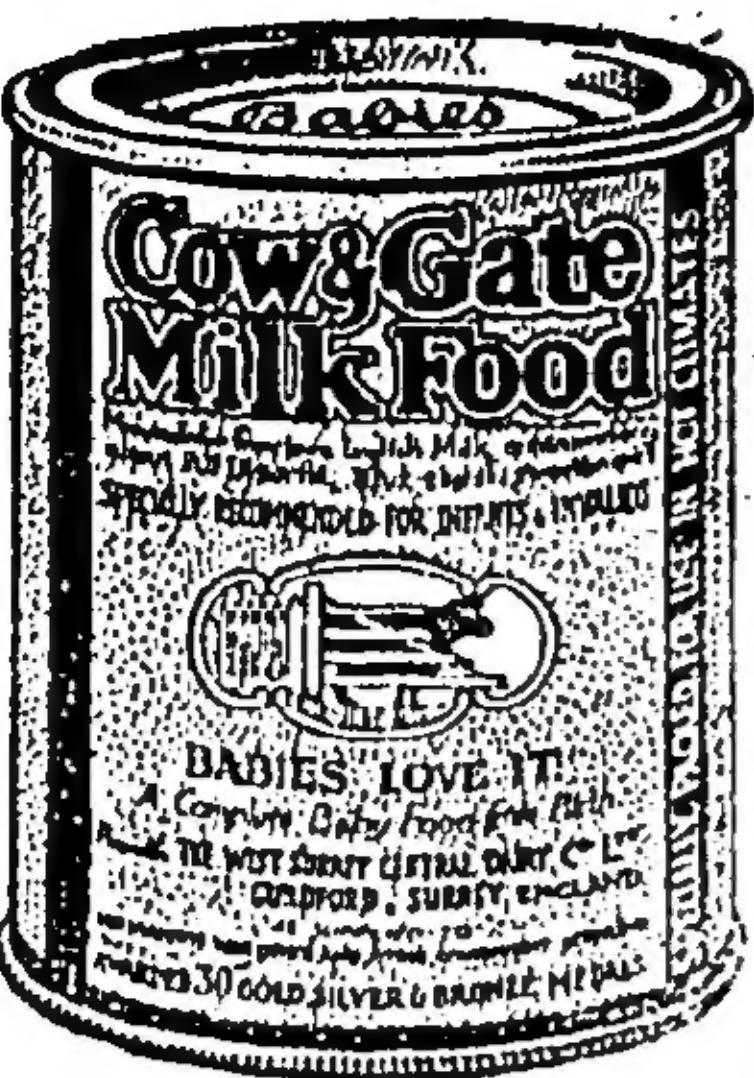
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## BIRTH.

HOBIN.—At the French Hospital, Hongkong, on 6th January, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. L. Hobin, a son.

The  
Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1932.

POLITICAL TRENDS IN  
CHINA: I.

With the passing of the year 1931, the attempt to rule China on a One-Party System may be said definitely to have failed. The Kuomintang has been reduced to a condition of impotence by the internal strife engendered by the attempt to suppress variety of opinion, while outside the bounds of the Party other parties have been springing up and organising themselves in movements whose visible expression has been seen in the extraordinary demonstrations made of Nanking by the students from the big university and school centres, particularly from Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin and Nanking itself.

Let us look first at the movement within the Kuomintang. The enforced resignation and detention of Mr. Hu Han-min in the Spring was the signal for a widespread Kuomintang revolt against Chiang Kai-shek and his close associates in the Government. The opposition gathered at Canton, raised the standard of revolt and organised its own Government. This Government was, however, clearly nothing more than the Opposition Benches for which the One-Party System fails to provide but which under a two or more party system would have had easy and free means of expressing its opinion, with the prospect of succession to office when it became sufficiently representative. The Kuomintang split on the rock of its heritage from the bad days of its association with the Russian Communist system. The Three Principles, in spite of their opposition to individual liberty, are based on the development of the democratic systems of the West. Their ancestry is to be traced in English and Dutch constitutional history, with a spice of French republicanism. To this tradition the One-Party System, with the possible dominance of a minority in the Government, is wholly repugnant. With the purgation of the Party and the breach with Russian Communism, the Kuomintang sought to rid itself of elements alien to a democratic system. But the exigencies of the political situation, its fears of the ideas it had first fostered and then cast out,

and its serious numerical minority in the country, induced it to play with the One-Party policy, and with the vicious system by which that party dominates the Government.

The political history of the past few months has been that of the attempt of the Party to solve the enigma it had set itself. When a revolt occurred, not of elements hostile to the Kuomintang, but of men of the very heart of the movement, men who had been close associates of the Founder, and who were older members of the movement than some members of the Government, it was clear even to Chiang Kai-shek that some arrangement of differences must be found. Each side threatened war, but the utmost care was taken to avoid coming to blows. The political heads of both sides determined that a peaceful way out must be found, and after intolerable delays, and under pressure of the external situation, the peace conference met in Shanghai and evolved the peculiar solution of gathering two separate plenary conferences of the Party, each electing its quota to the Central Executive Committee by whom the new Government should be elected.

Here, at the moment, the matter stands. The new Government has been elected. The titular headship has passed from Chiang Kai-shek. The political element is dominant, and Chiang Kai-shek has resisted the temptation to become a war lord. The position, however, is by no means clear. It remains to be seen whether any flexible method for the change of government is being introduced, and what scope for variety of opinion is to be given. On the whole, we look on the new Government as but temporary; its tenure of office as at best insecure. The growth of the anti-Kuomintang movement and some speculations regarding the future are matters which we must leave over for consideration until to-morrow.

## An Ancient Chinese.

The discovery of the skull of the Peking Man has proved a veritable godsend to the anthropologists, who have not had such a fruitful subject for controversy for many years. According to one prominent group, the discovery thrusts the first primitive man farther and farther back into the dim and distant past. He is more than a million years older than they thought he was because the Peking Man, who lived a million years ago, must be comparatively youthful, having enjoyed such modern conveniences as a heated apartment and a full set of stone implements. The excavation made in North China have failed to reveal anything resembling a prehistoric steam radiator or a gas fire, but there seems little doubt that the gentleman so rudely unearthed after a sleep of a million years was possessed of knowledge which enabled him to build a fire to take the chill off the midwinter morning while he stirred up a couple of dozo's eggs for breakfast of saurapoda omelet. The investigators from Britain led by Sir Arthur Keith have returned to London from China to testify to the discovery of stone implements formed with a high degree of skill and to give evidence that the primitive Peking Man of 1,000,000 years used fire. Not only does this put back fire-making to "a period more than twice as remote as that which hitherto had been assumed," but it also indicates that mankind had travelled through a good many more thousands of centuries to arrive at the knowledge and skill necessary to make fire. Revised calculations, therefore, may result in thrusting the primitive human perhaps a couple of millions of years further into the past; so far, in fact, that anthropologists and geologists may have to organise a joint expedition to dig into the situation. When one considers that it evidently took about 10,000 centuries to advance from the open fire to the open fireplace, one may be excused for venturing an opinion that "primitive" man may have been a million or two years old when he drove the herd of dinotherium into the back pasture for a couple of weeks while he gave the ceratopsia an opportunity to browse in the meadow.

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"It is the duty of the man who marries a woman to keep her."

(Applause.)

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## DAY BY DAY

WHAT YOU DO NOT SPEAK OF, YOU WILL SELDOM ACCURATELY THINK OF.—Goethe.

The R.M.S. of Russia arrived at Vancouver at 7 a.m. yesterday.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Revenue Officer Harold Victor Penræs, No. 76, Morrison Hill Road, to Miss Elizabeth Neva Thomas, No. 120, Whitfield.

The Rizal Day celebration, which was postponed on account of the diphtheria epidemic, will now be held at the Peninsula Hotel at 8.30 p.m. on Sunday, 10th Inst.

Mrs. Angus of Humphreys Building has reported to the Police that some time yesterday afternoon some person stole a counterpane valued at \$6 from the roof of the premises where it had been hanging out to dry.

A hundred head of cattle arrived for the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co. by the Blue Funnel as Tyndarus from Vancouver yesterday. The biggest single shipment to come East, it comprised 48 Ayrshires and 52 Holsteins. One of the cows calved aboard the ship on arrival in Hongkong.

Li Fat, second prisoner in the Kowloon City robbery case, which was continued at the Criminal Sessions this morning, gave evidence denying having taken part and alleged that he was struck by Chinese police. Explaining his reply to the charge at the Police Station, "I have not much to say, I was implicated by my friends," prisoner said he meant that his friends might have falsely accused him. The case is proceeding.

Beyond a letter from the Government relative to the fees to be charged for special food licenses already gazetted, the fortnightly meeting, yesterday, of the Sanitary Board was of a formal nature. There were present Mr. G.R. Sayer (President), Dr. G.W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. J. H. Gelling (Secretary), and Mr. J. Hargreaves (Assistant Secretary).

IF MARRIED STAY  
AT HOME.

## THE WOMAN'S DUTY.

Following a declaration by Alderman W. Jerrard that—

"When a woman gets married her duty is at home."

Lewisham Borough Council have decided that the appointments of women on their staff must terminate on marriage.

There were protests and sharp discussion.

Mrs. Trevor Edwards, wife of the vicar, said those who thought that marriage would have a devastating effect on a woman's ability must have a poor opinion of matrimony. (Laughter.)

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## SIR W. JOWITT.

A BY-ELECTION  
SHORTLY.

A by-election is probable shortly in Montrose Burghs, with Sir William Jowitt, the Attorney-General, as National Labour candidate.

It is understood that Sir Robert Hutchinson, the sitting member, who is a follower of Sir John Simon, is to receive a peerage.

It is learned that Sir William Jowitt's candidature has the approval of Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Baldwin and Sir John Simon, but the attitude of local Liberals and Conservatives is uncertain. It is probable that the Labour Party will bring forward a strong candidate.

At the General Election the figures were:

Sir Robert Hutchinson (L.) 17,212

Mr. A. F. Macintosh (Lab.) 5,137

L. majority . . . 12,075

Good-bye to Burnley.

Mr. Arthur Henderson has informed the Burnley Trades Council and Labour Party that he does not propose to accept nomination again as Labour candidate for that constituency, and that if he re-enters Parliament, it must be for a constituency which will enable him more easily and effectively to discharge his official party duties.

The letter did not come from Mr. Henderson, but from Labour headquarters in London. It was a surprise to the local Labour leaders, who understood that Mr. Henderson had been the independent to deal with political affairs.

GENERAL POST IN  
THE ARMY.

By R. J. T. HILLS.

battalion of the "Queen's" ambles quietly from Dover to "The Shot." The Buffs remain steady; Palestine to Egypt is an easy one, for the "King's Own."

What a scatter, though, for the "Fighting Fifth." Were ever such strides? The Second Battalion takes the place of the First at York. That's easy on the face of it. But the First Battalion must go to the West Indies, while the Second bounds clear from Shanghai. Master moves on the chessboard of Empire. And what will the 2nd Royal Scots Fusiliers think of Catterick after China? At all events it's nearer the heather of home.

Rarely, if ever, do they meet, these linked battalions of the British Line. Yet they know each other like brothers. Every man comes from the same Depot, those peasant, old-fashioned regimental homes. There is a constant coming and going of drafts and individuals. The War gave them meetings, and some of them even had time to re-unite together in the breathing space after it was over. Normally a regiment never parades complete.

For that, of course, is the Cardwell System—one home and one away. Yet here's a regiment—the D.C.L.I.—with a battalion at The Rock and another at Bareilly. That's a trick of the trade, for "Gib" counts as a home station.

The "Die Hards" are on the move—Colchester to Palestine, India to Colchester (via the Soudan). Cockneys on a Crusade—peaceful one; Cockneys coming home to tell the "Old Pot and Pan" wondrous tales of bazaars and Pyramids. Perhaps it's all old stuff to Dad, though. Soldiering often runs in London families.

Better rub up your geography before you study the movement orders. Where is Maymo? Answer me that without an atlas. I shall believe what you say—I don't know myself. Deodali—that rings like temple bells; Almedabad, Nazirabad—shades of the Forty Thieves.

Hundreds of stations. Some are great garrisons, full of ordinary little Britishers doing their quiet bit. Some are mere footholds held by a batch of R.E.s or Gunners.

The Gunners—the Royal Regiment, Well, you know the boast of the Gunners? They have no emblazoned battle honours, they've fought on every field. And they serve in every station.

There is a tradition in the Army—never ask a man why he joined. So I asked an old sailor yesterday—a lifelong student of the Services—why boys join to-day.

"Glamour," said he, surprisingly enough. "As much romance as ever there was. They're British—that's why."

You know the cry of the incurable optimist? Every sound becomes a song—if you'll hear it that way. Lift your chin—and you'll see the fretted pinnacles against the sky, missing the garbage in the gutter. Happy the man, in the marching ranks. His song goes in front, with the Drum-Major marking the rhythm. The soldier's chin was drilled up at his Depot, and stays there. Shanghai, Jamaica, and dear old for-hunz shores of Britain—you'll look good to the Regiment this Trooping Season.



"It's nice to have you for a neighbour," Mrs. Dooley said, and the woman who lived there before just quarrelled all

## DRUNKENNESS NO DEFENCE.

BRITISH SEAMAN SENTENCED.

## RAZOR INCIDENT.

William Wishart, the seaman of the s.s. Pentyne, who was charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm on another seaman, William Davidson, on the morning of January 1, with a razor, was convicted by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, who appeared for the prosecution this morning, pressed very strongly for a conviction. He said serious injuries had been inflicted on Davidson, and submitted that no evidence had been given to show that the defendant did not know what he was doing. After quarrelling with the complainant, he went back to his bunk and there obtained a razor with which he injured Davidson. The fact that he did this showed that he still had possession of his mental faculties, contended Mr. Whyte-Smith, although it was not contested that he was drunk.

## Dangerous Precedent.

Mr. Whyte-Smith quoted authorities supporting his argument that although defendant was intoxicated at the time, there was intent. It would be dangerous, he said, if drunkenness could provide a complete defence in cases of that nature, and that it would be dangerous if his Worship did not convict.

Defendant stated that he had been on the Pentyne for six months, during which time he had always been good friends with the complainant. As far as he himself was concerned, they were still good friends. On New Year's Eve, they went ashore with two other seamen and had some drinks, returning to the ship a few minutes before midnight with some liquor. He only vaguely remembered that there was a quarrel between him and Davidson and did not remember anything except that he was struck in the face.

## Good Character.

Capt. Bullock, of the Pentyne, testified to defendant's good character. He said he had the latter's papers, all of which showed that he had received satisfactory discharge from every ship he had been on. Witness had had no trouble with defendant whatever.

His Worship said he must convict the defendant on the evidence of wounding. He was satisfied that the defendant bore no grudge against Davidson and that he did not consider in his own mind what he was doing at the time.

His Worship would bear in mind defendant's good character, but it was a serious offence. He would impose as light a sentence as he could.

## POLICE SIGNALS IGNORED.

## MOTOR BOAT COXSWAIN FINED.

Fok Pak, the coxswain of the motor boat Tai Lee, was charged before the Hon. Comdr. Hale, at the Marine Court this morning, with having failed to stop his boat under way in the harbour when called upon to do so by a police officer at 9.14 p.m. on December 29.

The accused admitted the charge, but said when he heard the first signal given by the police launch he thought it was meant for another boat. On hearing the second signal, he stopped, and on hearing the third he turned round and went alongside the police launch.

Sergeant Hill said there were about eight passengers in accused's boat which was proceeding towards the Yaumati junk anchorage. The accused did not stop at the first two signals, but stopped at the third, inside the junk anchorage. Altogether, five signals were given by the police launch. Two were flash lights when the accused passed the launch. There was possibility that the accused might have thought the signals were meant for another boat.

Remarkable that accused should have stopped and seen for whom the signals were meant, the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 or one week's imprisonment.

Last week's health return shows 72 cases of diphtheria, of which one was imported, with two fatalities. There were also three cases of typhoid (one fatal), and one non-fatal case each of small-pox (imported) and cerebrospinal fever. Thirty-three deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis were reported.

## PIRACY HERO MARRIED AT MACAO.



Our photo was taken in Macao recently after the wedding of Mr. Alberto de Melo, M.B.E., who figured prominently in the fighting piracy, and Miss Ana da Conceicao, at St. Lawrence's Church.

## PEAK FILM FIRE SEQUEL.

(Continued from Page 1.)

sons present. They were definitely members of the general public, admitted free.

Mr. Wolfe:—Were no other members of the general public except amahs present?

Mr. Wolfe:—There were 27 children, six adults and a number of amahs, also two wiremen of the Hongkong Electric Company.

I may say that the two wiremen were apparently there in connexion with the Christmas tree. They were members of the public, and were not invited.

Mr. Dennis remarked that as it was the house of the manager of the Hongkong Electric Company, it would not be unusual for two of the manager's wiremen to be there.

Mr. Wolfe:—It is not the manager's house. The manager's house is just below mine on Mount Kellett.

## Decision Held Over.

His Worship:—It is rather an important point whether the performance in this building did or did not constitute a public entertainment within the meaning of the Ordinance. I should prefer to hold the point over for consideration.

Referring to the remaining two summonses against the Company, Mr. Dennis said Messrs. Pathé Orient Co., under one name or another, had been established in Hongkong for over 25 years and was one of the best known firms of film distributors. In 1928 they moved into their present premises from Queen's Road and built a strong room which must have been passed by the Building Authority. It had iron doors, corrugated iron walls and no-one lived on the top floor where the room is situated. The police visited the premises and were shown the strong room marked "No smoking" and "No admittance." No work was done on the premises. In the strong room, the police found 296 reels of film.

Mr. Dennis remarked that Mr. Landoll had only been manager of the firm for two months, the former manager now being in Paris.

His Worship adjourned all summonses until next week for the defence to produce, if possible, a certificate issued in connexion with the strong room.

## NEW LINK WITH MAN.

## SICKLES OF 6,000 YEARS AGO.

Bone and flint sickles made 6,000 years ago on Mount Carmel, and endowed with a glaze of which any potter might be proud, provide the clue which has led Miss D. A. E. Garrod, the archaeologist, to the discovery of the earliest known appearance of agriculture.

Miss Garrod described her excavations in the valley of the caves, Mount Carmel, which were carried out for the British School of Archaeology in Jerusalem in collaboration with the American School of Prehistoric Research, at the Royal Anthropological Institute.

Her work, Sir Arthur Keith said was of the greatest importance and interest in the history of man.

"The most remarkable thing," said Miss Garrod, "is that these early people do not appear to have learnt how to make pottery, although this is often found among races with no knowledge of agriculture."

## 80 Skeletons Found.

"We have found bone hairpins—one in the neighbourhood of a woman's skeleton—and examples of carving very different from anything which has yet been found in Europe or Egypt.

"They had probably no domestic animals, but lived by the unusual combination of hunting and agriculture. A number of stone spearpoints suggest that the bow and arrow were used, while fish hooks and delicate harpoons have also been found. Gazelle and big wild ox were apparently their chief sources of meat supply.

"We have about 80 skeletons of these people, who, according to Sir Arthur Keith, were small, long-headed folk, apparently closely related to the pre-Dynastic Egyptians. Another evidence of early date is the finding of remains of the spotted hyena, a species which was early replaced in Palestine by the striped variety.

"We now want to find their grain and grinding stones," Miss Garrod added. "So far we have found stone vessels, but no trace of grinding.

The 'silken' glaze on the sickles is generally accepted, however, as conclusive evidence that they were used for agriculture."

## THE GOLD-MAKER.

## NON-CLOTHES TEST BEFORE EXPERTS.

Paris, Dec. 12. A scientific "gold rush" will be seen in the next few days in one of the laboratories of Paris University.

Under the eyes of three experts, a young Russian professor, a strip ped of his clothes, will manipulate a strange apparatus by means of which he believes he can produce pure gold.

He is Professor Jean de Habdank Dunikowski, of the University of Lwów, who possesses the diplomas of 10 scientific bodies.

The apparatus he has invented emits radio-active currents, which, when applied to mineral-bearing rock and earth, he declares, extract from them minerals to greater extent than has hitherto been possible.

Asked why they wore them, he says, most women replied that high heels looked smart, were fashionable, made the feet look smaller, and were much more comfortable than flat heels, especially in standing.

From matter from which up to now it has been possible only to extract 5 grammes of gold, the professor declares, "I believe I can produce 375 grammes of gold."

To exploit his discovery, Professor Dunikowski entered into an arrangement with a syndicate, but disagreements arose before he refused to hand over his secret.

As the jury did not bring in any recommendations for mercy, Powers, in accordance with the law of the State, will go to the gallows.—Reuters.

A more likely cause was badly fitting footwear.

## "HOT" RHYTHM DANCE.

## CLEVER EXHIBITION AT KING'S RESTAURANT.

## FASCINATION OF THE TANGO.

To many, one of the most regrettable omissions in public dance programmes in Hongkong, is the staging of exhibition dancing, and it was therefore no surprise to find the King's Theatre Restaurant filled to capacity yesterday afternoon when Mr. C. F. Yip, manager of the "C" Dancing Academy, and his partner, gave exhibitions at the tea dance which is held daily in the grill room.

The innovation was a decided success and the demonstrations of Mr. Yip and his partner were accorded enthusiastic receptions by the large company of terpsichorean adherents.

The first dance, set to a slow fox-trot rhythm, was a combination of the advanced American "cut-rhythm", the English "straight" slow and an assortment of "eccentric" steps usually seen in solo work. The intricate movements, calling for the introduction of a very advanced style of contra movement, perfect balance and a strong sense of rhythm, were cleverly interpreted by the dancers.

Though not a dance which could be freely used in a ballroom, it was a very fine interpretation of the present day idea of "hot" rhythm.

The Argentine tango, which followed, was even more entertaining and was, except in a few movements when the dancers became a little ragged, exceedingly well performed. It was a little unfortunate that the band played at a tempo slightly too fast, but Mr. Yip and his partner overcame the obstacle with ease and gave a brilliant demonstration of this fascinating dance.

Both dancers pleased with some beautiful footwork, and their technique generally was the source of much admiration. Mr. Yip displayed a tendency to dance inside his partner on the half turns and an inclination to drop his shoulders in the contra body movements. These, however, were but slight blemishes in an otherwise attractive demonstration.

Further exhibitions will be given at the tea dance to-morrow, and it is to be hoped that if the demonstrations are continued in the future, Mr. Yip and his partner will give expositions of the waltz and quick step.—S.A.G.

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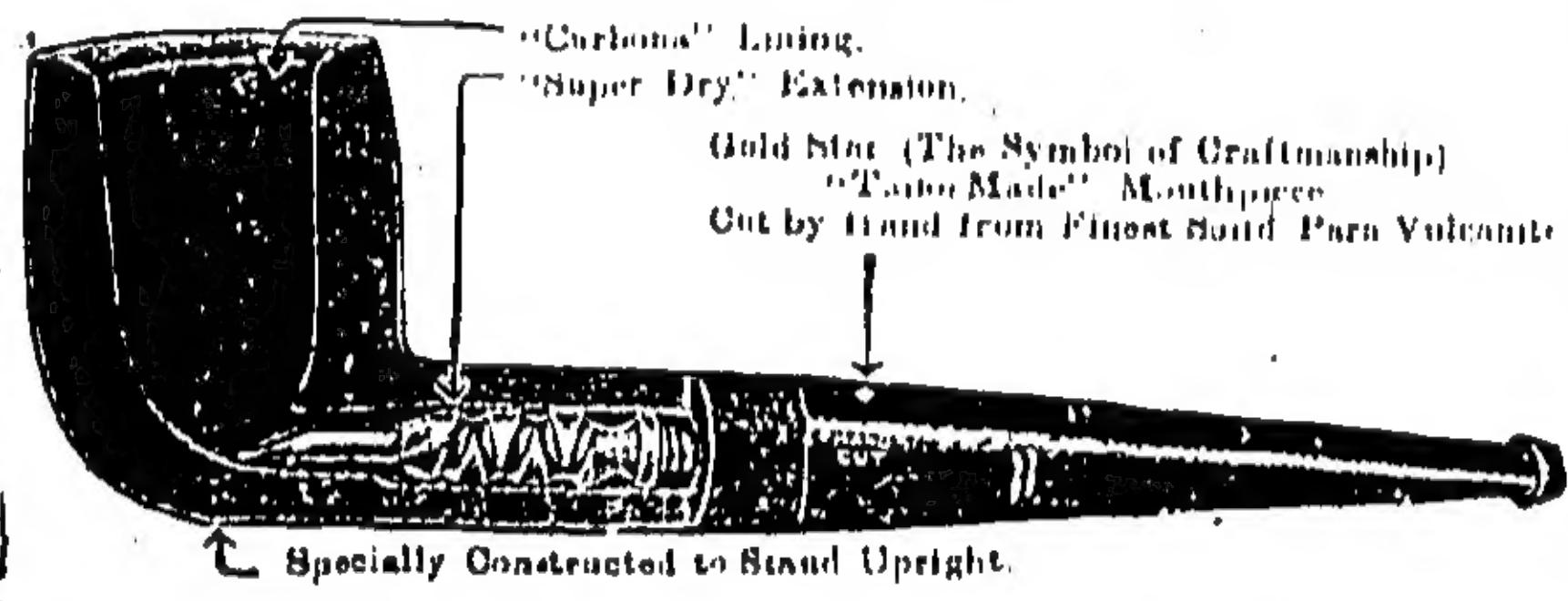
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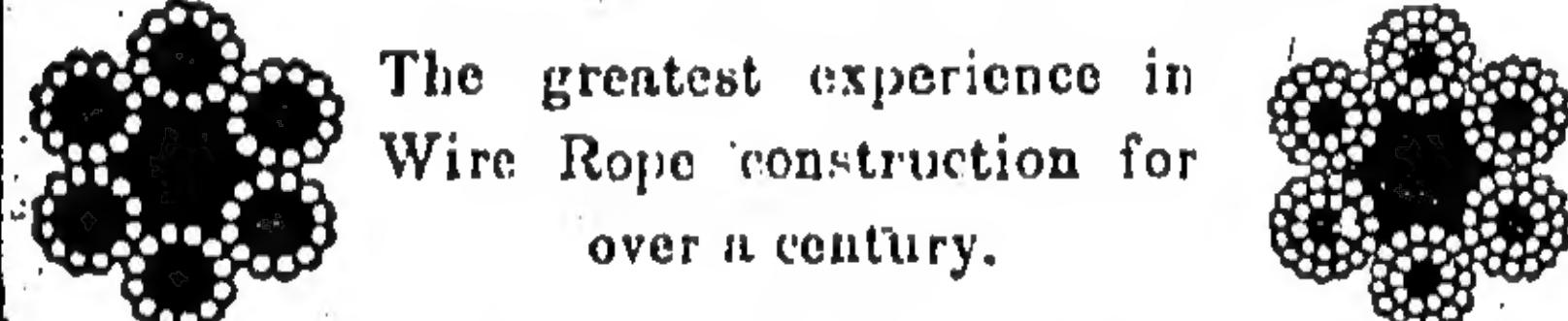
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LAWN TENNIS  
ASSOCIATION.

## MAY ACQUIRE OWN GROUND.

The most momentous meeting in the history of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association is to be held on Friday evening when the Council is to consider suggestions for the realisation of the chief ambition of the Association, namely the securing of a ground on which the governing body of the game in the Colony will hold championship, interport and exhibition tennis matches.

Ever since the Association was re-organised in 1930, its paramount aim has been to obtain for itself enclosures which will allow for the conducting of the principal tennis events in Hongkong, and thanks to the untiring efforts of the Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. P. F. James) and other officials, the scheme has at last been brought to a point where its realisation and application is a practical proposition.

A ground has been found in Kowloon which, after the necessary alterations have been effected, offers itself as a most suitable site for the project, and it now largely rests with the members of the Lawn Tennis Association as to whether or not it shall be acquired for such purposes.

Plans and Estimates Ready.

The plans and estimates have been obtained and have already been approved of by the Executive Committee, and these will be presented to the Council on Friday. The Council will, in the same time, be asked to convoke an extraordinary general meeting of the Association to consider the following proposals put forward by the Executive Committee:

1. That the Association should acquire and maintain a ground of its own in Kowloon on the site shown in the last plan.

In—that if "1" above is passed the plan and estimates for a pavilion, ground staff quarters and fencing be approved.

2. That the estimates for levelling be approved.

3. That the question of turfing be left to the Executive Committee to decide both as to the area to be turfed and the thickness and suitability of the turf required.

4. That the stands not being required immediately for the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association's purposes, the building of stands be left to the future consideration of the Committee and temporary stands erected when and if required.

5. T. A. to be Incorporated.

6.—That in order to secure funds for the purposes outlined steps be taken to incorporate the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, and that the necessary authority be given for the issue of debentures to an amount sufficient to complete all necessary work and building, and to provide for a reasonable margin to cover unforeseen expenses, for which purpose it is suggested that H.K. \$10,000 be issued in Bearers Debenture Certificates of \$50 each.

Estimates for the ground and accessories have been prepared, and amount to \$17,700, though this figure includes provision for a stand to accommodate 1,000 persons semi-permanent or permanent at a cost of \$8,000.

The foregoing proposals will be considered by the Council on Friday, and if agreed to, will then go before a full meeting of the Association for confirmation.

One of the smaller Continental countries, however, is insisting on ad valorem rates.

A reporter spoke to the only man who knows the secret of the shipment of the Louvre treasures. He is Mr. W. H. Brothers, of Messrs. Van Oppen, Ltd., shippers. He said:

"I work on the basis that a secret ceases to be a secret as soon as two people share it. I arrange for the treasures to be packed and guarded, shipped, passed through the Customs and, if I wish, I can change the route by which they come by five minutes' notice."

"A lot of authorities have to be consulted in bringing the treasures across. On the whole, however, things have arrived so far without a hitch."

## SENSATIONAL HOLD-UP IN WEST END.

LONDON BANDITS.

London, Jan. 5.

The recent epidemic of smash and grab raids on jewellers' shops in London culminated in a most daring and cleverly planned daylight hold-up in a busy West End street to-day.

The Manager of a jewellers' shop, after collecting a valuable parcel of jewellery from the bank where it was deposited was attacked by bandits, who thrust his hat over his eyes, felled him to the ground and snatched the packet, containing ropes of pearls, diamond bracelets and rings valued at £2,000. The bandits jumped into a large motor-car and escaped at high speed, despite scores of pedestrians, and policemen directing traffic twenty yards away.

Car bandits also raided a goldsmith's shop in New Bond Street to-day, smashed a window and escaped with a quantity of jewellery.—*Reuter's Special Service*.

## SIM SHIELD MATCH.

## OPENING GAME OF TOURNAMENT.

The first of the Sim Shield matches is to be played on the U.S.R.C. ground this afternoon at 4.30 p.m. between the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Army. The following have been selected to represent the civilians:

G. Duncan; W. Woodward, J. Rodger; W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand (Capt.), E. V. Reed; H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divott, C. C. Francis, D. B. Evans and J. L. Tellev, Reserves: T. J. Price and A. R. Botelho.

Club v. C.B.A.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club in the 2nd XI against the Central British on the Club Ground on January 14 at 5 o'clock: E. S. Moseley, L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan, G. F. Reed, E. G. S. Dale, A. A. R. Botelho, L. D. Kilburn, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, S. Hill and E. C. Finch.

## SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

## H.K. C.C. TEAMS IN LEAGUE MATCHES.

In the First Division of the cricket league on Saturday, the Hongkong C.C. are to meet the Kowloon C.C. at King's Park. The following players have been selected to represent the Hongkong side: T. E. Pearce (Capt.), H. Owen Hughes, J. H. Armstrong, R. C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, E. R. Duckitt, Capt. W. H. G. Gontier, O. C. Marton, Capt. Mirehouse, E. J. R. Mitchell and A. Reid.

I.R.C. v. University.

The following will represent the Indian R. C. 1st XI in a League match against the University 1st XI on the 1st. A. C. ground on Saturday, at 2 p.m.: R. K. Hepburn (Capt.), R. Davies, R. H. Dowler, F. A. M. Elliott, C. E. Gabagian, L. D. Kilburn, R. S. Paterson, P. W. J. Planner, W. Stoker, J. R. Way and A. J. Wolff.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. K.C.C. 2nd XI.

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## INDIA READY FOR "WAR."

## HOSPITALS PREPARED AND VOLUNTEERS ENROLLED.

Bombay, Jan. 5. Rumblings of the coming civil strife are intensified by the local Congress Committee's comprehensive plans for a bitter anti-Government "war."

In anticipation of casualties, the Congress has equipped two hospitals with 450 beds and volunteer doctors and nurses.

Ten thousand volunteers are reported to have enrolled in the Congress ranks. Sixty successive "war cabinets" have been formed in order to last two months should one complete council be arrested daily.

Complete cessation of export of cotton to Japan and to Britain will also be attempted.

Undeterred by the arrest of Praesad, yesterday's Congress appointed the third president in a few days, in the person of Dr. Ansari. Meanwhile, the Government's counter-attacks continue, and reports of arrests are being received from all over India.—Reuter.

## Home Press Comment.

London, Jan. 5. The newspapers generally agree that in the circumstances Lord Willingdon and his advisers were left with no possible alternative to the course now being taken in India.

The Times says—"There has never, of course, been anything incongruous between determined prosecution of the goal of Indian self-government and the firm repression of lawlessness by the government of to-day, whether composed for this purpose, as it was at one time, wholly by British administrations or as it is to-day with the large admixture of Indians, or, as the fullness of time will see it, in the hands of Indians alone. Nothmg. Indeed, could so surely retard that prospect as any weakness at this stage in maintaining the essentials of civilized society."

"But in the meantime, the work of the Round Table goes forward. It is not unfair to say that from first to last Gandhi made no practical contribution whatever to the work of the Round Table Conference. His attendance showed a certain courage, but his performance was final proof that nothing is to be expected from the leaders of the Congress in their present mood by way of constructive statesmanship. That mood will inevitably change as time goes on, and the prestige of Britain will stand all the higher, not merely in India but in the world outside, for having exhausted every means of electing the whole gamut of Indian opinion, and for pursuing steadily thereafter the chosen course of constitutional progress in spite of every attempt to turn it into chaos."—British Wireless.

## SUGAR MARKET.

## THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

## London Terminals.

March 1932 7/- no change.  
May 1932 7½/- no change.  
August 1932 7¼/- up ½d.  
December 1932 7/8 up ½d.

Buyers at above prices, sellers making ½d more.

## New York Terminals.

March 1932 1.12 up 2 pts.  
May 1932 1.16 up 2 pts.  
July 1932 1.20 up 1 pt.  
September 1932 1.26 up 1 pt.  
December 1.32 no change.  
New York (5/1/32).—Postponement of Paris Sugar Conference caused selling principally from Europe.

CINEMA SCREENINGS.  
NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

"The Lyons Mail" is one of the most celebrated dramas on the English-speaking stage. It is a notable circumstance that it should be translated into a talking picture with Sir John Martin Harvey in the leading part.

The story of "The Lyons Mail" is founded on fact. It is a drama of two men, one being an honest merchant who is condemned to death for a crime he did not commit, and the other being a villainous drunkard and the real criminal.

Actually, the innocent man was executed for the crime of which he was innocent but in the picture, as in the play, reality is gilded with a romantic coloring.

The cast supporting Sir John Martin Harvey includes Ben Webster, Norah Barling, Michael Hogan and Marjorie Marriott, who is the most splendidly versatile actress in British talking pictures and is probably the most neglected.

One of the most distinguished of English actors, Sir John Martin Harvey is known throughout the English speaking world for his long record of success in the presentation of fine plays.

"The Lyons Mail," in which he makes his first appearance in talking pictures, was one of the plays in which he appeared at the Lyceum, where he worked for fourteen years under Sir Henry Irving. In 1891 he played in "The Lyons Mail" as the tavern boy Jolligot. Now forty years on, he has made this play live in talking picture shape.

Ben Webster is one of the finest players on the London stage. He has played in many British films, including "Downhill," "Envy Virtue," and "The Only Way."

Nora Barling made her first stage appearance in "A Kiss for Cinderella" in a part which was specially written for her by Sir James Barry.

## "Laughing Sinners."

For every hour spent before the motion picture camera, a film star must spend days of physical preparation, according to Joan Crawford, whose latest picture, "Laughing Sinners" will open on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

"It is impossible," says Miss Crawford, "to hide anything from the camera. It picks up and magnifies every ounce of superfluous flesh, every suggestion of weariness. Physical fitness is demanded. When I am working on a picture I find very little time for anything but work and sleep. Between productions, I try to build up stamina and energy, to be fresh for the next role. My day starts with the drinking of two glasses of warm or hot water, flavoured with lemon juice. Fifteen minutes' stretching exercises follow, sometimes carried with rope-skipping or a plunge in the pool if it is summer. Breakfast consists of a glass of orange juice or sauerkraut juice, which I happen to love, coffee with no cream but with sugar. When I am working I have fruit juice at home, and a cup of coffee while making up the studio. During the summer months and through part of the winter, I take a sun bath every day in the backyard, reclining in my toboggan tent from ten to twelve hours reading or just dozing and dreaming in the warm sun. On Sunday, I switch this programme in the summer by going to the beach with Doug. Luncheon is always very light, usually consisting of a fruit or vegetable salad and coffee. My favourite lunch is a salad made of white chicken meat with diced raw vegetables on lettuce. I always use French dressing, never mayonnaise or whipped cream. Then comes the dancing lesson, if I am not working or otherwise busy. This serves a double purpose, providing me with exercise as well as keeping myself up on my dancing for pictures. Three times a week I have lessons in singing, every other day taking a lesson in French and Spanish."

"I have always felt dancing was a perfect form of exercise for a woman, a medium of movement that falls between aesthetic and acrobatic forms of dancing. Its secret is perfect rhythm, which means perfect coordination of the muscles. And, because of its rhythm it becomes a pleasure rather than a duty.

"After such a day as I have outlined, evening dinner brings with it a healthy appetite. I eat everything with except bread, butter, potatoes and desserts. The food we crave is mostly a matter of habit. I eat

plenty of vegetables and fruits and try to balance the menu so that in the course of a week I have eaten all the foods which contain the elements necessary for health."

Mrs. Crawford's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle was directed by Harry Beaumont from the Kenyon Nicholas stage hit, "The Torch Song," that ran on Broadway last season. In the picture version Neil Hamilton and Clark Gable share leading man honours and the cast includes Marjorie Rambeau, Guy Kibbee, Cliff Edwards, Roscoe Karns, Gertrude Short, George Cooper, George F. Marion and Bert Woodruff.

## "Mother's Millions."

Not until you see "Mother's Millions," which is playing at the Central Theatre, will you be able to know the real trials and tribulations of the rich. If you, in this time of seeming depression, feel that money is more important to you than your health, remember to which of the normal human beings we all have a right to look forward, slip into a seat in the theatre and see the story of Fairlie and Tom Brown, children of the richest woman in the world.

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## "Her Wedding Night."

"Her Wedding Night," the fast and funny Avery Hopwood farce which comes to the King's Theatre Thursday next, might have been written expressly for Clara Bow, for in it the red-haired star has a role that fits her personality and talents to a "t". "Her Wedding Night" is pure, light-hearted fun. "It's Wedding Night" is jolly and pseudo-serious. "Her Wedding Night" tells of the adventures of a red-haired movie star on vacation in Paris and of her flight to escape her suitor, what could be more Clara Bow than that?

Clara Bow's youthful, light-hearted, love-throbbing appeal is at its best in farce comedy of this kind, into which not a moment of real serious drama enters. Clara, on her mad flight to the south of France to escape her self-styled sweethearts, is mistaken for an eloping bride. Skeets Gallagher, travelling under an assumed name to help out his friend Ralph Forbes, the popular song writer, is mistaken for an eloping bridegroom. Before either of them knows it, a small-town movie and, as Skeets uses his assumed name in signing the marriage register, which he mistakes for a hotel register, Clara finds herself wedded to a man—she has never met.

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## SECRETS OF A BLONDE SPY.

## GERMAN WOMAN'S REVELATIONS.

Berlin, Dec. 12.

The famous German blonde spy, Dr. Elizabeth Schragmuller, an almost legendary figure in the world war, last night told the truth about herself.

It was at a meeting of the Women's Section of the German Navy League that Dr. Schragmuller, known as the "Fraulein Doktor" to the soldiers of four armies, broke her silence in public for the first time since the war.

Among her experiences was one in which she set up on British territory spy organisation.

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One of the most interesting pictures of the season is an display at the King's Theatre. It is "Transatlantic," Fox production, which has a long list of screen favourites headed by Edmund Lowe in its cast.

"Transatlantic," briefly, has to do with the tangled lives of a dozen or so men and women who set out from an American port for Europe aboard a luxury liner. Unknown to each other, before the vessel slips its moorings, they speedily become involved in a tangle which takes the entire voyage across the Atlantic to unfur. Aboard is Edmund Lowe, a high-class gambler of the Robin Hood type. We also find Lois Moran, daughter of an old German lens grinder, played by Jean Hersholt. Then too, there is John Halliday, a wealthy banker; his wife—Myrna Loy; a Swedish dancer, Greta Nissen; and other fascinating figures.

Lowe befriends Miss Moran, and she immediately falls in love with the handsome, debonair gambler. Miss Loy enlists his aid in naving her husband from Greta Nissen, and Lowe has plans of his own for taking over some of Halliday's surplus cash, with which he is fleeing from his tottering bank.

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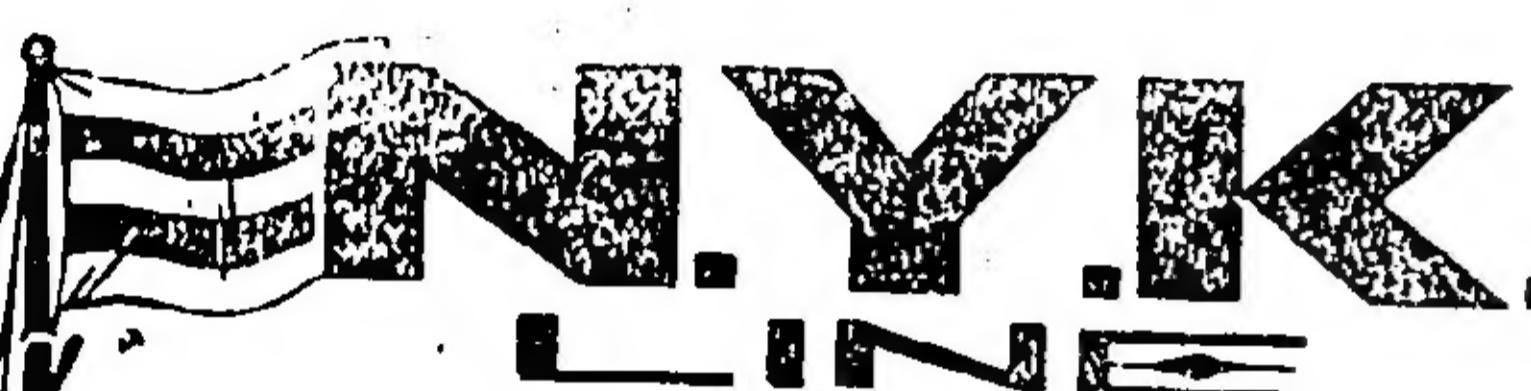
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consideration, but time will not permit.

Perhaps some will say to me, "Ah, it is all very well to talk of model farms and model farmers. With all your knowledge and skill (if you have any) you would starve in less than a year on any of the poor farms in the New Territories and on each of which a Chinese farmer manages to get a living." True enough, with all credit to the Chinese peasant, notwithstanding all the handicaps, he struggles somehow to stave off starvation from the door. Whereas, if I were to inherit a farm in the New Territories, I am afraid I would have to use my wife to swindle in Hongkong or to spend on it very much from other sources, otherwise my farm would ruin me very quickly.

Yet, how many realize that despite all the skill and patience of the Chinese farmer, and although his plough in ordinary use (which is practically similar to the plough in use in the times of the founding of the Chow dynasty) is still the best adapted to his needs, yet we have in the New Territories a cultivated area of not more than 40,000 acres or one sixth of the area of the Territory. The greater part of it produces two crops of rice a year, and where manure is easily obtained a third crop of vegetable is grown in winter.

**Value of Typhoons.**

Rice is the staple food of this part of the world and yet not enough is produced to meet the supply of the population. Nature has done its part, in one respect, in giving us the summer rains, what is called the Asiatic monsoon, or more familiarly to us as the typhoon season. It is this monsoon that goes to stimulate agriculture. One authority writes: "One of the important reasons why this small corner of the world holds so many of its people is because the monsoon climate has rain at the season of greatest heat and growth, rather than in the cooler period of least growth, such as results from the winter rainfall of California, Spain, Italy, Persia, Australia, and Chile."

The trouble with the Chinese farmer is that he does not understand soil fertility and there is no one question of greater importance to the farming industry than that of soil fertility. It is not enough to produce crops; it is necessary that their production shall result in a genuine profit. For normal growth and development, a plant must take from the soil at least ten chemical elements and the relative abundance of one element more than the others are liable to cause rapid exhaustion in the soil. I will leave you who are interested, to read Dr. Herklotz' article in the handbook on the "Hongkong Soil."

**China Not Self-Supporting.**

Attention is repeatedly drawn to the fact, that China, whether it be South or North China, in spite of the fact that more than 30 per cent. of her population lives upon the land, is unable to make herself independent and self-sufficient. From a booklet received from Dean Gross of Lingnan University, Canton, I have come across this statement from Mr. S. H. Moh, Vice-Minister of Industry of the National Government:

"In 1929, China imported more than 10,000,000 piculs or more than 58,000,000 taels' worth of rice; more than 5,000,000 piculs or more than 21,000,000 taels' worth of wheat; and 11,000,000 piculs or more than 62,000,000 taels' worth of flour. More than 2,000,000 piculs of cotton were also imported in that year. These figures go to show that in order to make China self-sufficient and solve the problem of food supply, improvement must be introduced."

**Future of Farming.**

The future of farming throughout the world will be a future of modern intensive farming, otherwise no nation can remain long entirely self-contained in so far as regards food-stuffs. "This must be accomplished," to quote Dean Gross again, "in the face of keen competition from other countries where staple crop production is organized in large units, where capital is readily available, where machine methods of production are effectively in operation, and where scientific agriculture is encouraged through large government appropriations for research."

**Use of Science.**

The greatest work for the promotion of agriculture in this age, therefore, is the popularizing of science. Nearly all progressive governments are working systematically to promote agricultural production. The Department of Agriculture in Washington is one of the greatest scientific institutions in the world.

Before the Great War, Germany with eighty-seven experiment stations, led the world in the

**promotion of scientific agriculture.**

Backward or conservative as the Egyptian peasants may be, intensive scientific study of agriculture has awakened them to the need of modernizing their methods of farming and giving ear to scientific advice. Within the last decade or two the Egyptian farmers have learnt to use chemical manures, of which over 250,000 tons are now imported annually. The Egyptian Government is "fostering the growth of co-operative societies, and in establishing an Agricultural Bank, which will provide credits for stocking small farms and will enable the fellah to tackle problems which he has been unable to face."

**Association's Aims.**

With identically the same object in view, the New Territories Agricultural Association aims to encourage gradual reform, to lay down merely the general outline and leave the details to be filled in, during the next decade. Unless something is done to protect the farmers' interest and income to furnish more wholesome living conditions and to provide better education, primarily to make them better farmers, no real progress can be attained in the New Territories or in the reconstructive work in China.

It is looking at improvement of agriculture in the New Territories and China from this viewpoint, the New Territories Agricultural Association has been formed about a year ago. For the invaluable service rendered in this connexion, the Committee of the Association owe a deep debt of gratitude to the Hon. Mr. Shenton and Mr. C. M. Manders, and his associates of the Kowloon Residents' Association. Had it not been for their commendable efforts, the New Territories Agricultural Association would not yet have come into existence.

**Make N.T. Self-Supporting.**

The aim of the Association is to create an effective centre for the development of agriculture in the New Territories so as to make the producer and the consumer in the New Territories as self-supporting as possible. The chief object for which the Association is formed is the promotion of the science and practice of agriculture in all its branches. Among the more important educational subjects to which the Association will direct its exertions are:

- Organizing classes in agriculture.
- Giving grants in aid of agricultural education.
- Conducting experiments for the purpose of promoting the application of science of agriculture.
- Assisting farmers with the chemical examination of their soils.

The Association endeavours also to consider matters connected with the agricultural resources of the Colony, the improvement of transportation facilities, the improvement of marketing methods and the improvement of methods of irrigation, and so forth. Towards achieving these ends, the Association needs all the possible co-operation and encouragement from the District Officer and the Government in general. So far the Hongkong Government has definitely granted a subsidy of \$1,000 a year and before long more than likely this amount will be increased to \$2,000.

**Gaining Support.**

There is no question that the Association is gaining considerable support from the various local banks, commercial houses, institutions among Chinese and Europeans alike. Since the Association has been established, we have no fewer than eleven life members, score of committee and farmer members added to the membership roll.

There is not the slightest doubt that both the Association and the agricultural show present limitless possibilities in the development of the New Territories, and the annual show especially calls for much generous and enthusiastic support from the general public to help make it into an annual exhibition that will be a source of pride to the Colony and an annual gala day that will attract visitors from all parts of the Far East and, perhaps, beyond. This may be just an ideal, but not unrealizable.

**Team Work.**

Under modern conditions, it is important for us to realize that the community should become one, of each for all and all for each. Team-work, or co-operative effort, is what we need in this Colony, without which no human efforts can stand alone or prosper alone in these days.

In conclusion, let us take to heart this sound advice from an English economist:

"Any unit attempting to work by itself will only obtain a minimum result; but by team

**CHINESE WEDDING.**

**MR. CHAN LAISANG AND MISS YEUNG YIMKING.**

Mr. Chan Laisang, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Chan Tae-yuen, was married to Miss Yeung Yimking, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yeung Yutong, yesterday in Kowloon. The wedding ceremony was conducted entirely according to the old Chinese fashion.

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## GEMS OF PERIL.

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got now to knock sense into him with—that whisky bottle!"

She didn't want to hear him talk about it. She was more grateful than she could ever say for the surety he had just given her. It made her course clear. But personally, he had become faintly repulsive to her, that declaration of his was shocking, somehow, centred as her emotions were in Dirk, and Dirk only. Perhaps she drew away slightly; her feelings may have shown in her face.

"Listen, forget what I said a while ago, will you?" he said. "I ought not to have—but hell, you asked for it! And I know it doesn't make any difference to you."

"Oh, I'd forgotten all about it," she assured him; surprised at his perception.

They stepped out into the lobby.

"Hungry?" he asked. "Better have a cup of coffee before you go. You look done up. Did you eat anything at Shay's?"

"Not much," she confessed and followed him, almost wobbling with faintness and weariness, to the grill, which was empty except for the couple they had seen in the elevator. Mary recognized them without more than a brief glance. The odor of the woman's oriental perfume was overpowering. The man with her was odd-looking, too, foreign, apparently. Such of their talk as drifted to her ears was in French, and his clothes sloppily worn, his hair thick and long below his large black felt hat. He wore a small waxed mustache.

Mary began to feel a peculiar uneasiness. She had been unconventional in going to that room, if anyone chose to be priggish about it. She would not have given it a second thought if it had not been for those exotic-looking people. Continentals of that type always made her rush for safety to the ideals of her Puritan ancestors.

She drank hot coffee gratefully. Bowen did not talk much.

"I was supposed to cover a Red riot in Jersey City tonight," he observed. And added complacently, "The hell with it." After that he did not talk at all.

The couple passed out of the room just ahead of them, pausing in the doorway to kiss passionately.

"Au revoir, my darling," muttered the siren, in a guttural voice with a marked accent. "Must you go?"

"I must, sweet." He tore himself from her arms, and hurried out.

Mary and Bowen made amused grimaces at each other. In the doorway they gave an exaggerated imitation of that parting—all but the kiss. And howled with laughter.

The dandified stranger, cane over his arm, small waxed mustache bristling, paced the curb impatiently as the doorman sought a cab. Mary and Bowen, waiting their turn for a taxi, watched him involuntarily. He was like something out of "La Vie Parisienne." When the cab came up, he said loudly, "Can you take me, please, to Jupiter House, at the Point Pleasant Hills?

Mary clutched Bowen's arm. "I knew I'd seen him somewhere! It's Bruce Jupiter, come home!" she cried.

(To be Continued.)

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## THE BOWEN ROAD ASSAULT.

### ASSAILANT SENT TO PRISON.

The committal of Tseng Shing, charged with assaulting Miss E. St. Quentin, Matron of Bowen Road Military Hospital, and robbing her of a handbag, and, alternatively, with receiving the article after it was feloniously required, was asked for by the Police when the case came before Mr. Williams at the Central Magistrate yesterday afternoon but after hearing the evidence, his Worship deal with the case summarily.

The incident occurred on December 29 at about 5 o'clock in Bowen Road, Miss St. Quentin, who had travelled up from town by tram, was returning to the Military Hospital.

She told the Court yesterday that she had been walking along for about ten minutes, carrying a parcel in either hand and a purse, when she felt a violent push from behind. She fell into a nullah, down a distance of 10 feet, and when she looked round she caught a glimpse of a Chinese, whom she could not identify for the reason that his back was turned towards her, running down in the direction of Macdonnell Road. He was carrying her purse and for the first time she realised what had happened. The push was a very violent one to have sent her forward into the nullah.

Constable Givens Chase,

P. C. Nand Singh stated he was 100 yards from the junction of Macdonnell and Kennedy Roads when he saw a Chinese (now charged in the case) coming towards him. Within hailing distance, the defendant called out "A Chah!" while pressing a hand over his right pocket, from which the corner of what looked like a purse was plainly visible. When witness ordered him to stop, defendant started to run. He was followed by witness down the hillside into a nullah, into which he leaped, and then ran along its course. As he came to Murray Barracks, with witness following along the bank, and blowing his whistle, defendant was intercepted by a British soldier and arrested.

Private W. Hewitt, of the South Wales Borderers, who was on duty at the south east gate of Murray Barracks, gave evidence of having arrested the defendant after he had jumped into the nullah.

Charged Reduced.

In his statements to the Police the defendant admitted having snatched the handbag.

At the conclusion of the evidence his Worship said that in view of the fact that the defendant was only 23 years of age he would deal with the case summarily and not commit him to the Criminal Sessions.

The defendant made no statement and was convicted of a charge of larceny from the person, the highway robbery count being reduced.

Sentence of ten months' hard labour and 18 strokes of the birch was imposed, with two months' hard labour if unfit for the birch.

HARBIN RIOT.

### SIX RUSSIANS KILLED: MANY INJURED.

Peking, Jan. 5. Official foreign reports from Harbin state that a Chinese policeman and six Russians were

killed, and 20 Russians wounded, some very seriously, during riots which broke out on Saturday and Sunday.

Following the alleged beating of Russians by the employees of a Chinese shop, a crowd of Russians gathered in Harbin's main street, Thekitalskaya.

A Chinese version of the riots states that a Japanese paper inflamed the passions of the crowds by declaring that a Russian had been killed.—Reuters.

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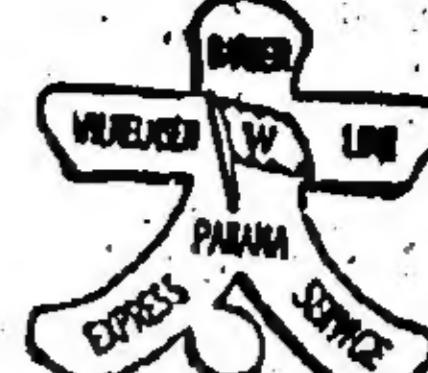
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### INDEPENDENCE OF IRAK.

#### LEAGUE COMMISSION REPORT.

#### BRITAIN'S ACTION APPROVED.

London, Jan. 5. The League of Nations Secretariat published to-day the report of the Permanent Commission on Mandates concerning the British proposal to proceed with the emancipation of Irak.

After reviewing the action of the British Government and the guarantees given by the Government to assure the entry of Irak into the League, the Report sets out in detail the conditions which appear to the Commission essential for the termination of the Mandate by Great Britain.

The most important of these conditions is for the protection of the minorities and foreign nationals, as well as for the guarantee of privileges to foreigners' liberty of conscience and the maintenance of International Conventions.

Treaty of Alliance.

Finally, the Report states that the Treaty of Alliance between Great Britain and Irak does not injure the independence of Irak. The Commission's Report is likely to be approved by the League Council on 25th January and the September Assembly is expected to admit Irak to the League. Britain's Mandate will automatically terminate on such admission.—*British Wireless*.

#### LONG FIRM FRAUD ALLEGED.

#### SIX CHINESE BEFORE COURT.

Six Chinese were charged before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning with conspiracy in connexion with an alleged "long-firm" fraud.

Detective Sergeant Meadowes stated that the investigations thus far revealed Leung Hin, Lam Taiu and Tsui Wai-keung to be the principals in a case involving some \$3,000 worth of goods, of which \$1,000 worth had hitherto been recovered, this being in respect of two complainants.

The officer mentioned that Tsui Wai-keung was arrested, consequent on information, in the street in company with five coolies who were carrying cases of jerseys, and subsequently taken back to an address of which he was the principal tenant, where other cases of jerseys were recovered.

Bail ranging from \$500 to \$3,000 were granted to the accused, two of whom, namely Ho Kwok and Tsui Wai-keung, were represented by Mr. da Silva and Mr. B. D. Evans respectively.

### LORD BEAUCHAMP IN HONGKONG.

#### SPENDS QUIET TIME IN COLONY.

#### LEAVES FOR JAVA.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Beauchamp, former Governor of New South Wales and for many years Leader of the Liberal Party in the House of Lords, has just quietly spent two days in Hongkong, arriving by the s.s. Tjinsgaro on Sunday and leaving by the same steamer yesterday for Java, where he will spend about three weeks.

His Lordship's visit to Hongkong was quite informal, as he was travelling incognito and, for reasons of health, did not wish to attend any formal functions. During his

stay he has been staying with the well-known local artist, Kobza, and before his departure he sat for a rapid crayon sketch, of which a reproduction is given above.

In June and July, Lord Beauchamp was at the Naueim baths for the cure, but in spite of an after-care at Freudenburg his health has not completely recovered, in consequence of which he was ordered a long sea voyage. He has therefore been on a trip to Japan and, as stated, is now visiting Java. Lord Beauchamp was in Hongkong some thirty years ago, and in the course of conversation on his latest visit he stated that he was immensely struck by the great developments in the port, especially on the Kowloon side. Moreover, he very much appreciated the comforts of the Peninsula Hotel and the Hongkong Hotel, and deeply regretted that there were not more hotels as good, or nearly as good, as these in the provinces in England. Regarding world conditions, his Lordship was not very optimistic of the immediate future, believing that there are still anxious days ahead. He preferred

to express no opinions on China, as such a hurried visit as he had made did not enable him to form any definite views. None the less, he expressed the hope that the country would soon be on the path to well-ordered progress.

### TROUBLE NEAR FOOCHOW.

#### MALCONTENTS TAKE CITY.

Foochow, Dec. 28. There has been rather serious trouble in the Changlool County for some time arising from the imposition of taxes by the Government which the people object to paying. The malcontents have organised themselves so well that they have been able to defeat the Government forces (marines) and are said to have gained control of Changlool City.

A detachment of Liu Ho-Ting's troops is being sent down the river to help restore order, but it is rumoured that the trouble is likely to spread to other districts, such as Futsing and Funing.

Regarding the capture of Miss Halverstadt, of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, a few days ago, it appears she had reached Kankeng safely and was on the launch travelling towards Foochow, when the launch was stopped by men on the bank of the creek (which is very narrow just there) and she and her cook were taken off. About twenty Chinese were also kidnapped. As far as I know, this is the first instance of foreigners being molested in that district, and it seems rather remarkable that they should be so daring in view of the fact that the spot mentioned is only about twenty miles from Foochow. *Our Own Correspondent*.

#### HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

#### OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

The session this morning opened quietly steady with rates generally unaltered.

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